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Naysayers drive up costs: Report

HOUSING

Opposition leads to expensive delays and uncertainty



Brodie Thomas
 Metro | Calgary

Red tape isn't the only thing slowing down developers in Calgary — the NIMBY crowd may also play an important role, according to a report from the Fraser Institute.

The authors of New Homes and Red Tape in Alberta spoke to developers in the Edmonton-Calgary corridor and crunched the numbers on time and cost when trying to build new homes.

Although Calgary and Edmonton are similar on three of the report's five key indicators, "their divergence in overall rankings is due primarily to the higher reported impact from council and community opposition and timeline uncertainty in Calgary."

Overall, Calgary ranks 10th while Edmonton comes in 6th.

Report co-author Kenneth Green

said he couldn't speculate on why Calgary seems to produce more community opposition than Edmonton, but it's driving up housing costs.

"That kind of opposition can stretch out the timelines and it can increase uncertainty around the timelines, both of which delay building and suppress supply, thereby maintaining or driving prices higher," he said.

The study points to a 2013 academic paper out of the U.S. that shows how owners of developed land almost always favour more stringent land-use regulations in an effort to drive their home prices up.

"It's self-interest, essentially," said Green.

"You can label that as the 'I got mine' mentality, or some people label that as NIMBY-ism."

Green said Calgary can improve the other metric — timeline uncertainty — by streamlining its approval process.

According to the city, it's already on its way.

Michael van Ham, co-ordinator of applications and inquiries, said the Residential ePermits program allows developers to apply for permits online.

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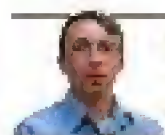
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One host who's not hung up on potential Airbnb regulations

RENTALS

Robinson has hosted over 1,000 guests in six years



Brodie Thomas
Metro | Calgary

Keith Robinson said if he didn't use Airbnb to rent out a room in his house, he probably would have moved to smaller digs a long time ago.

The Calgary man lives in the northwest with his wife Yoshiko. Their children are grown, and six years ago they stumbled into the world of Airbnb hosting.

"Before we did Airbnb — we were the kind of people who would put people up," said Robinson.

He said his daughter told him about the website that allows people to rent out rooms or their entire house.

Now semi-retired, Robinson treats Airbnb hosting as a side job. He tends to host people for longer stays, and his proximity to the University of Calgary and the Foothills Hospital give him an advantage.

One of his regular guests is a medical professional from Tanzania who sometimes works at the hospital. Professors who are at the university for



Keith Robinson says his neighbours are all positive or at least understanding of his decision to be an Airbnb host. He said his next-door neighbours have even helped locked-out guests back into the home. ELIZABETH CAMERON / FOR METRO



We're not doing what bed and breakfasts do. We're not doing what hotels do. So the current regulatory structure doesn't fit.

Keith Robinson

a short duration also end up at his home.

"We've had over 1,000

people from every continent, including scientists from Antarctica," he said.

In September Coun. Richard Pootmans said Airbnb could become an issue for the city. Other Canadian Cities such as Vancouver are already working on regulations.

Robinson suspects regulations are coming sooner or later, and he's not too concerned about that day.

"I have no problem with

regulations," said Robinson.

"My concern is that the regulations meet the situation."

He said Airbnb hosting is not the same thing as a bed and breakfast or a hotel, because those businesses put out signs, and they don't use online rating systems for their guests.

BY THE NUMBERS

55,000

Active Airbnb rentals in Canada

\$4,200

Typical annual earnings for a Canadian host

37

Nights hosted per year for a typical listing in Canada

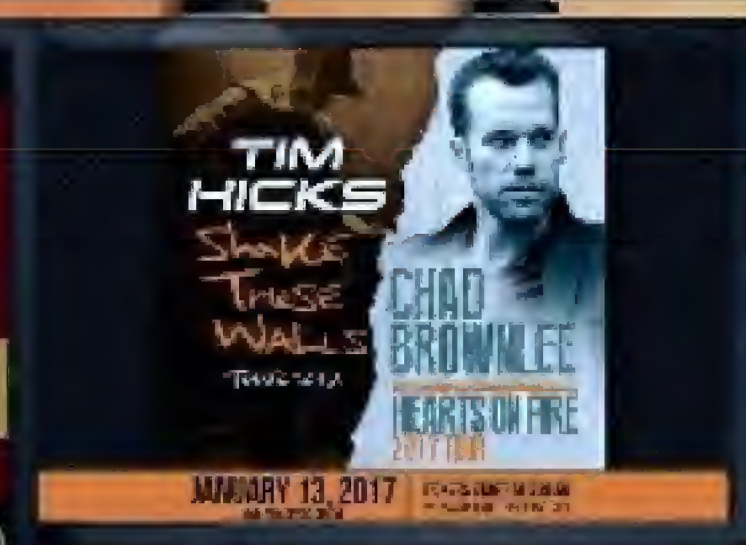
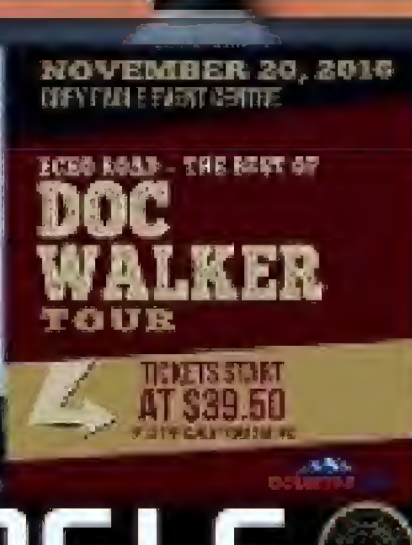
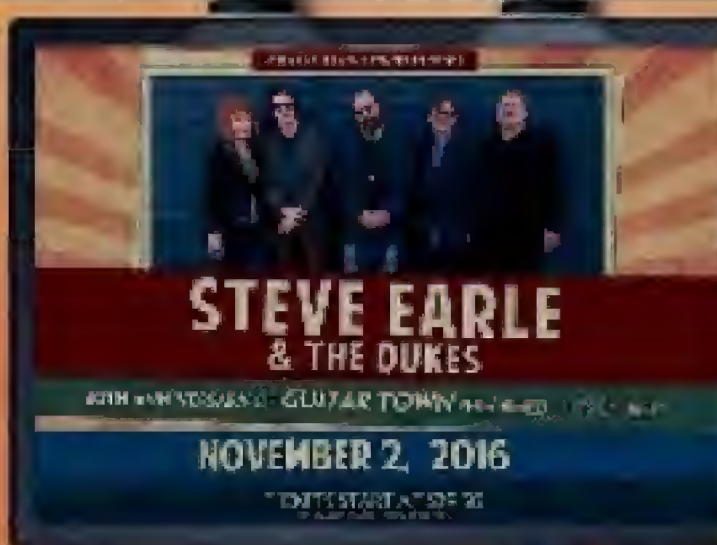
"We're not doing what bed and breakfasts do. We're not doing what hotels do. So the current regulatory structure doesn't fit. I would object if they tried to cram us into the current structure."

For its part, the city is not currently tracking complaints from Airbnb rentals.

City spokesperson Rudy De Ciancio said the city can't do anything about home rentals unless it's a secondary suite.

As for Airbnb regulations, those are a long way off.

"Nothing officially on our end has started in Planning and Development," he said.



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Homeschool's in-house deadline not legislated

EDUCATION

Imposed due date by society against School Act: Review



Lucie Edwardson
Metro | Calgary

A review into a Christian school board by the Alberta government shows that a "hard deadline," set by a third-party for parents to request unused government funds be carried over to the following year goes against the School Act.

Alberta education says this resulted in nearly \$1 million in funds not returned to parents.

Education Minister David Eggen shut down Trinity Christian School Association and Wisdom Homeschooling due to alleged "financial impropriety" Tuesday.

They catered to 3,500 home-schooled students across the province and 13 students in a classroom setting.

Metro reached out to employees at both Trinity and Wisdom Wednesday, and only one, Jim Burgess of Wisdom's financial services answered, saying they are considering legal action.

On Tuesday, Metro spoke with Trinity principal Richard Scheinbein who said they'd submitted financial reports to Alberta Education annually with no issues.

According to the review, Wisdom's policy is that unused monies from the parent portion of the government grant will only be carried to the next year if a form requesting the



Education Minister David Eggen has responded to accusations that the provincial government was targeting a Christian school, saying the alleged problems found in an audit were financial. The review found that nearly \$1 million was pocketed from parents as a result of the board's in-house deadline to request unused government funds. METRO FILE

carry over is received by the set deadline of June 30.

"Otherwise it will end up in the general revenue of Wisdom and unavailable for parents the following year. Any late forms received are not accepted as this is a hard deadline" reads the report.

Metro confirmed this was Wisdom's policy as it is on their website and also states this deadline is imposed by Alberta Education.

"In fact, this deadline is an in-house deadline and is not based on provincial legislation,

regulation or policy," said the report.

Eggen said Tuesday another concern raised during the review of Trinity and Wisdom was inappropriate leases.



Otherwise it will end up in the general revenue of Wisdom and unavailable for parents. Report

According to the report, although a lease with Living Water Arts Foundation — which was founded by Wisdom

founders Kenneth and Marlane Noster — was considered a reasonable rate, questions were raised as to why Wisdom paid an annual lease plus utilities for a facility that isn't used all year.

Again, Metro reached out to the Noster family and calls were not returned.

The facility was constructed

using government grants paid to Trinity (approximately \$0.5M), then reportedly sold by Trinity at a loss, to Living Water only to be leased back to Wisdom, said the report.

Further, the report indicates that Trinity's audited financial statements are inconsistent with facts about the sale of the land.

The financial statements said the sale occurred in 2006-07, yet not transfer of land happened until 2008, was only for \$1 and was never owned by Trinity, but the Noster family.

ACCREDITATION

Reinstate schools: Petition

A change.org petition has been launched by supporters of Trinity Christian School Association — and third party Wisdom Homeschooling — saying they're "under attack" and demanding their reinstatement, after their accreditation was taken away Tuesday by Alberta's education ministry.

The petition, created by Adam Soos, calls the actions of Education Minister David Eggen and his ministry "reckless" and says they "undermined the education of some 3,500 Albertan home-schooled students."



When everything is moving as it should it's a very high quality of education.

David Eggen

The petition, which set a goal of 1,500 signatures had been signed 1,195 times and includes signatures from Wisdom's financial services head, Saul Noster who also made social media posts about the issue Wednesday with #WeStandWithWisdom.

Hundreds of people have commented on the petition calling Eggen's decision anti-Christian.

"Nothing could be further from the truth," said Eggen. "We know that the various education providers in our province include the separate school system with private schools and home schooling, and when everything is moving as it should it's a very high quality of education."

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FENTANYL

Manslaughter charge for overdose a first



Ameya Charnalia
For Metro | Edmonton

Edmonton police have laid the organization's first-ever manslaughter charge after a fentanyl overdose.

Autopsy and toxicology results showed Szymon Kalich, 33, died from a fentanyl overdose in January, police said Wednesday.

They allege 25-year-old Jordan Yarmey, who was charged

with manslaughter on Monday, provided Kalich the drugs that killed him.

It is the first time the Edmonton Police Service has charged an alleged dealer with manslaughter following an overdose death, said Staff Sgt. Dave Monson of the homicide section.

"If you can prove that they knew that they were trafficking a controlled substance — in this case it was fentanyl — and a reasonable person at the time would know that the controlled

substance is likely to cause bodily harm, and you control the controlled substance that caused the death, this satisfies the elements of manslaughter," he said.

"Anybody who is providing or dealing in those controlled substances can be and will be held responsible for deaths, if we have the evidence to lay the charge."

Police found Kalich's body on Jan. 27 at a southeast Edmonton residence.

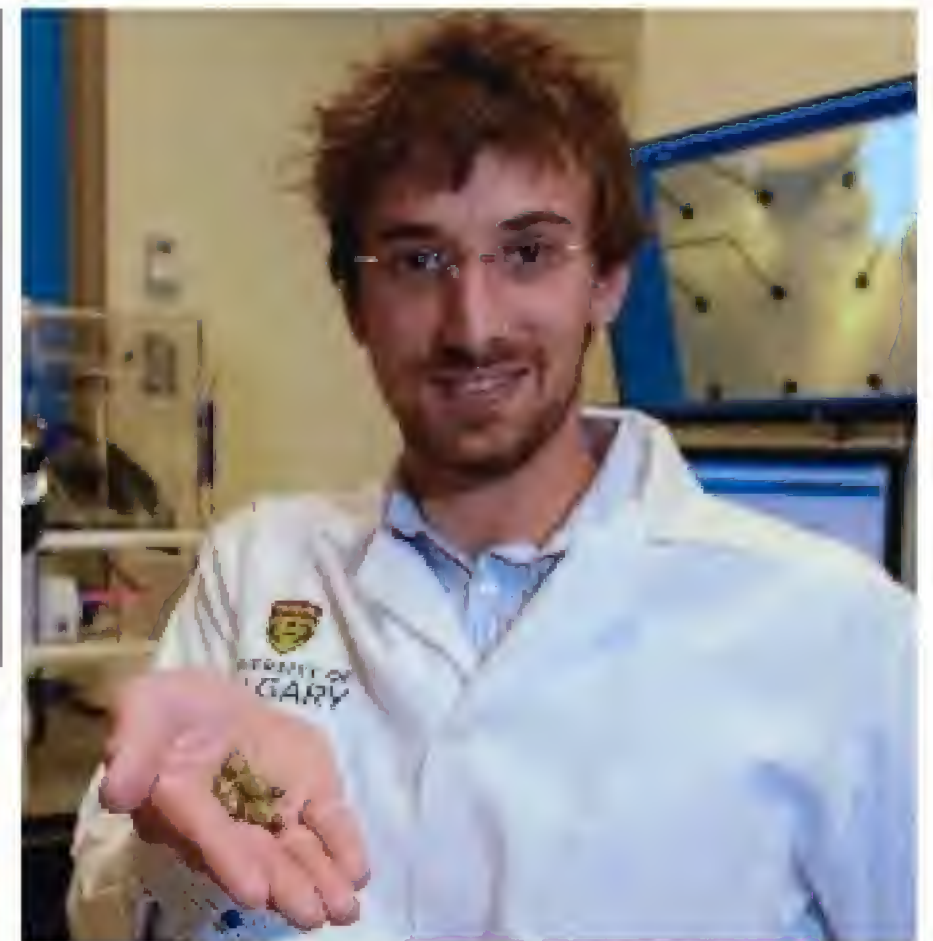
Yarmey will remain in police custody until his court appear-

ance Thursday, Monson said.

Earlier this year a man in southern Alberta was charged with manslaughter in the fentanyl overdose deaths of a couple in Standoff on the Blood reserve in southern Alberta.

In the first half of 2016 there were 153 people in Alberta who died from fentanyl overdoses, compared to 139 fentanyl-related deaths during the first six months of 2015, according to Alberta Health.

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Pierre Wijdenes is one of the scientists using snail neurons to study neurological diseases in humans. ELIZABETH CAMERON/FOR METRO

Tiny snails making a big impact

NEUROLOGY

Scientists connecting snails' neurons to microchips

Elizabeth Cameron
For Metro | Calgary

Snails have exceptionally large brain neurons for their size, and the tiny creatures are helping researchers at the University of Calgary study neurological conditions like epilepsy.

A team of engineers and researchers with the Cumming School of Medicine have developed a neuro-chip that can record the activity of brain neurons.

Pierre Wijdenes has spent the past four years working on the project as part of his PhD in biomedical engineering.

"We don't really understand how neurological conditions such as epilepsy work, and we don't yet understand how to treat them properly. The idea with this device is that we can study brain cells and their networks to see how they are affected by different types of mitigation, like drugs or electrical activity," said Wijdenes.

"This allows us to begin to understand the mechanics of conditions like epilepsy."

The neurons, supplied by snails, are placed on the chip

inside an incubator/microscope hybrid.

According to Wijdenes, most institutions can only record neuron activity for a few minutes. With an incubated environment for the brain neurons, the new chip can continuously record activity for weeks or even months.

This extended time allows the researchers to observe how different drugs or solutions may affect the brain neurons' activity.

The implications of this technology, according to Dr. Naweed



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Pierre Wijdenes

Syed, a professor of cell biology and anatomy with the University of Calgary who helped develop the chip, are huge.

"We don't know what goes wrong (in the brain) with conditions like epilepsy, Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, psychiatric disorders, and more," said Dr. Syed.

"This technology is proof of concept that we can integrate technology with the brain. We are hoping in the future we will be able to use these chips to regain lost brain function."

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How the city plans to get pollinators to plants

HONEYBEES

Park department manages four hives



Helen Pike
Metro | Calgary

This honey isn't for sale, but it's helping the city build a more responsible set of standards for native bees.

The City of Calgary has been keeping four honeybee hives for three or four years to build the park department's experience with bees. And in the past two years they've jarred their own honey, with 150 pounds in this season's batch.

No, the city doesn't have its own beekeepers. They simply

But what's behind this is a hope the city can do better by the native plant fertilizers and recognize their importance in the ecosystem by welcoming them into the vast green spaces available within Calgary city limits.

Honeybees are far from native, but Manderson believes working with them opens up discussions on the local stars — Alberta's 300 varieties of native bees who are without a doubt the most efficient pollinators for this area.

"It's a natural transition to start to talk about the value of keeping our native species as healthy as we can in the city at the same time," said Manderson.

The City of Calgary has a biodiversity policy, in which he hopes native bees can play a part. That means the city is looking into best practices for landscaping, planning practices and things citizens can

"We see it as an important part of our open spaces, having healthy pollinators as part of urban ecosystems. Chris Manderson

share responsibility and build up skills taking care of, and harvesting, honey from their hives — it's a year-round job.

"You get something pretty good out of it, you get honey. But you also get a chance to talk to people about what bees are doing for us," said Chris Manderson, urban conservation lead for Calgary Parks.

The jars end up as gifts, prizes in community raffles and Manderson said they taste pretty sweet.

do to protect native bees in gardens and parks.

Future restorations in parks could include considerations for buzzers to help keep Calgary on the map in terms of a diverse bee habitat.

For now, the bee program will stay as is, although there are considerations to expand the four hives from South Glenmore park to other green spaces — but that would make harvesting their sweet nectar a little tricky.

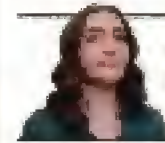


Nothing sweeter than a jar of honey after a hard season's work from Calgary Parks.

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IMPORT

Price of honey takes hit



Josie Lukey
For Metro | Calgary

Honey is now being sold for almost half of what it was last year.

Kevin Nixon, owner of Nixon Honey, said the volume of imported honey coming into Canada via major manufacturers has made it hard for local farmers to compete.

As a result, the honey farm is trying to manage its labour as efficiently as possible, and is looking at using cheaper alternative treatments to control pests, all in an effort to keep costs down.

"It's very difficult to cut down on putting input into your bees because if we cheap out and don't give our bees what they need now, next year, our winter losses could be higher. It just snowballs," says Nixon.

In the spring of 2015, honey was being sold for about \$2 a pound, and now the sweet syrup is being sold for almost half that, at \$1.15.

According to Statistics Canada, Alberta produced 42.8 million pounds of honey in 2015, making it the top producer in the country. In total, honey producers export up to 70 per cent of their production, mainly to the U.S.

Back in 2006, Canadian production was pegged at 106 million pounds.

Nixon says he would like to see Canada build a lab to test the blends of honey imported to Canada. There are currently no such labs in North America with the closest one being in Europe.

"It's very frustrating because there's a lot of people out there that would like to support products of Canada and their local producers and don't understand that they're being blindsided," says Nixon.

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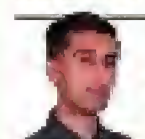


Players face off elimination style, trying to get each other with foamed arrows. COURTESY ARCHERY GAMES CALGARY

Archery Games nock on city's door

COMPETITION

Dodgeball meets the Hunger Games in new sport



Aaron Chatha
Metro | Calgary

If you've been quivering for the chance to unleash your inner Robin Hood or Katniss Everdeen, Archery Games Calgary has your back.

Expected to open next year in the city's northeast, owner Adil Hooda describes it like dodgeball meets the Hunger Games.

Players are divided into two teams, thrown into an arena with a bow in hand, with a collection of arrows in the centre.

When the game starts, players run for the arrows and then fire them at the opposing team.

Player who would rather not be impaled in the name of fun can relax — the arrows have foam tips, so it's less like a Game of Thrones blood bath and more like getting hit by a bean bag.

"It's not like a paintball or air soft game where you can shoot repeatedly; you're very limited in your ammo," explained Hooda.

"You're foraging for your arrows in some ways, so use

them wisely. It's a little more of a strategy game — there's a lot more room to dodge."

Like dodgeball, if you're hit — you're out of the game. But, you can be brought back if one of your teammates catches an arrow mid-flight (harder than it seems) or shoots one of the stationary targets set up around the playing field — but that means one less arrow aimed at the opposing team.

And the arrows will be flying everywhere.

The standard game is a 10 vs. 10, meaning all players can step into the imaginary boots of Hawkeye, Green Arrow, Artemis, Cupid or Sylvanus Windrunner (wow, there are a lot of fictional archers).

There are barricades players can use for cover, and alternate types of gameplay — including a free-for-all.

Hooda said it's a game where players can quickly pivot to new targets or dodge arrows — so it's as much about goading other players to make mistakes as it is fast reactions.

The bows themselves are fairly easy to use, and don't require a ton of strength to get good distance.

It's based off a business that's been going strong in Ottawa.

Hooda hopes to have their first location open by March of next year. For more information, visit <http://archerygamescalgary.ca>.

THE REAL ARCHER'S PERSPECTIVE

Joey Mungo, owner of Calgary's Jim-Bows Archery, tried out the archery games in Ottawa — and as an actual archer, he feels it's not exactly like the real thing.

"But it was a good time. It's a different feeling, but it's neat — I would do it again for sure," he laughed.

With real arrows, it's a lot harder to nock back the bow and aim without sights, but Mungo said, like everything, it just takes a few tries.

Lorna Southwood, owner of the Calgary Archery Centre, thinks it will be a popular destination when it opens up. It's not that different from when customers come to her store to try their hand with a bow — there's about 10 to 15 minutes of explaining, and then the shooting begins.

While the professional archers do have their ranges and piercing bow-tips, they're also excited for the foam-tipped, high intensity of the games.



Teams are thrown into an arena with a bow in hand, with a collection of arrows in the centre. COURTESY ARCHERY GAMES CALGARY

MOUNT ROYAL UNIVERSITY

Contract faculty in a pinch



Helen Pike
Metro | Calgary

At Mount Royal University 52 per cent of teaching staff are contract faculty, and they hold 59 per cent of "contact hours," which means they're teaching a lion's share of classes.

Both the president of MRU and their faculty association are wary the school needs to strike a better balance for professors, contract faculty and students.

"When we shine a light on the overuse of contract employment, we're not saying contract faculty themselves aren't passionate teachers, they're very dedicated," said Mark Schroeder, president of the Mount Royal University faculty association. "Someone who's hired semester to semester on a sessional contracts ... they have to every semester re-compete."

Some contracts pay teachers by class time, and don't include other aspects of academia, like research or professional development. Schroeder said it puts those faculty in a pinch.

Both Schroeder and MRU president David Docherty noted students' experience outside of the classroom can be thrown off if the school continues depending on contract staff.

Often these workers are sharing their time between institutions or other jobs, and don't have time to sit on boards, hold office hours or participate in the overarching academic-life at school.

Shifrah Gadamsetti, president of the MRU Students' Association, said students are concerned about the quality of education — in terms of longevity and continuity — when the school utilizes contract faculty.

"We do see students who are really engaged or inspired by a certain professor or class; if they tend to be contract faculty there's very little guarantee that class, material or positive experience is offered again," said Gadamsetti.

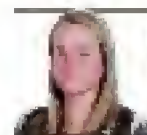


Students from Sir John A. MacDonald pose with Education Minister David Eggen and Environment Minister Shannon Phillips after the announcement of the installation of solar panels at 36 new school projects. LUCIE EDWARDSON / METRO

More solar panels for Alberta schools

CLIMATE CHANGE

Province to spend \$9M on 36 new projects



Lucie Edwardson
Metro | Calgary

Alberta students have spoken — and the government took notice.

As recommended by students, the government has decided to go forward with funding for solar panels at 36 new school projects that are currently in the planning or design phases.

"We're listening to our students who have told us they want to be leaders in climate change issues," said Education Minister David Eggen.

Eggen and Environment Minister Shannon Phillips made the announcement at

a Calgary junior high Wednesday, Sir John A. MacDonald — which already has its own solar panels as a part of a green initiative.

"It's so fitting to be here at Sir John A. MacDonald where the Calgary Board of Education took it upon themselves to install 40 solar panels in 2014," said Eggen.

He said the program will help facilitate discussions about climate change and green energy in classrooms, as it already does for the students at John A. McDonald who track the impact of their solar panels through a smartphone app.

One student said after two years of having the solar panels she could "confidently say" they'd provided many learning opportunities.

"Before the solar panels, many of us were oblivious to the effects we have on the environment," she said.

Phillips said this project is one of many that make up the

government's climate leadership plan and will help prepare Alberta youth for the future.

"Climate change is real," she said. "It poses a real threat to our kids' future, but there is good news and that is that these new technologies present huge opportunities to today's students and tomorrow's workforce."

The initial investment from the government for the 36 projects will be "at least \$9 million," according to Eggen, who added that individual projects will cost between \$250,000 and \$750,000.

"This is just the beginning," he said.

Eggen also said there will be a committee to evaluate the positive impacts of these solar panels with the goal of expanding over time.

Seven schools in Calgary will be a part of the program, as well as schools in Edmonton, Fort McMurray and Okotoks.

LETHBRIDGE

Drug bust limits supply of fentanyl

Lethbridge police were able to pull 777 fentanyl pills from two busts during the last week of October.

According to a release issued by ALERT, two fentanyl related seizures ended in charges limiting the supply of the lethal drug in Lethbridge.

On Oct. 13, police raided two homes and two vehicles. They found 193 fentanyl pills,

24 grams of cocaine, 53,400 and a loaded Smith and Wesson handgun.

Three men are facing 32 drug and firearm-related charges, including Corey Amyotte, who police allege is a "Mad Cowz" gang member. His associates Ali Zolfo and Jerry Bull were also arrested for their alleged involvement.

Then, on Oct. 20, police did

a traffic stop in Aldersyde, 40 kilometres south of Calgary. Police stopped one car, carrying 584 fentanyl pills, they believe was destined for Lethbridge.

This netted two more arrests for police. William Hatch, 33, and Awet Abraha, 28, were arrested with drug charges.

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Nearly 800 fentanyl, shown here, were seized near Lethbridge this week.

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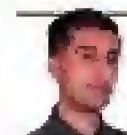


The last time the theatre group STAN performed The Monkey Trial was in 2010 — but they feel the script is still terrifyingly relevant today. COURTESY OF MARTIN NORDSTRÖM

God goes to court in Monkey Trial

SCOPES

Theatre Junction play borrows from historic case



Aaron Chatha
Metro | Calgary

Darwinism and creationism take centre stage in an epic debate at Theatre Junction's presentation of The Monkey Trial.

Based on what became known in the U.S. as the Scopes Monkey Trial, Frank Vercruyssen will take audiences back to 1925 Tennessee where high school biology teacher John Scopes was accused of teaching evolution. During this time Tennessee's Butler Act had made it illegal to teach the subject in a state-funded school.

"It's a fantastic combination of depth, things to talk about, the separation of church and state, etc. but on the other hand,

there's really funny dialogue," said Vercruyssen.

"Of course, the political relevance speaks just as much today as it did 20 or 50 years ago."

The case became a nationwide fascination when it was picked up by hundreds of journalists and broadcast on the radio — powerful players from both sides of the debate turned

this small trial into a clash between fundamentalism and modernism — dogma and intellectual freedom.

Vercruyssen brings this electrifying dialogue to life — using only three actors.

A judge, who acts as an anchor during the play, with himself and another actor playing every other role.

Behind the performers will be a giant screen, with a grid depicting every lawyer, witness, jury member, preacher,

sheriff or other important figure. As both actors often switch roles (playing both prosecution and defence at different times), squares on the grid light up to show audiences who is speaking.

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Frank Vercruyssen

“To play both sides of the equation — that's really quite fun. It gives me the opportunity to do a convincing plea as the defence and a half hour

later to do, I hope, a convincing plea of the other side,” Vercruyssen laughed.

The audience is in on it too — as this is a courtroom drama, the people in the crowd are treated as if they're sitting in the pews of a court, and the actors are constantly feeling out the audience's reactions to inform their next speech or reaction.

The Monkey Trial runs from Nov. 2 to 5. For more information, visit www.theatrejunction.com.



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The Northlander TV series expected

AWARD WINNING FILM

Metis director to recreate film in six part program

Elizabeth Cameron
For Metro

Calgary-born Benjamin Ross Hayden is no stranger to film festivals.

His film *The Northlander* (2016) earned him funding from Telefilm Canada's Micro-Budget program with the Cannes Film Festival's Perspective Canada category.

He is the youngest filmmaker ever in Canada to be part of the program.

Now, with his first feature-length film behind him, Hayden is working on turning *The Northlander* into a six-part TV series, with production set to begin in late 2017.

"I'm very excited, it was a busy summer," said Hayden, who is a Métis director, writer and producer. He started the film-production company Manifold Pictures in 2013.

The Northlander is a science fiction/fantasy film that was filmed entirely in Alberta, mostly in the badlands. Its cast and crew are mostly Canadian, including Michelle Thrush, a First Nations activist from Calgary.

Many of the crew joined the project after wrapping up production on *The Revenant*, which was partially filmed on the Morley reservation outside of Calgary.

"It's important to me to create films that mean something, that tell a compelling story," Hayden said.



Corey Sevier had a starring role in *The Northlander* (2016), which was filmed entirely in Alberta and directed by Benjamin Ross Hayden. COURTESY OF MANIFOLD PICTURES

The Northlander stars actors Corey Sevier and Roseanne Supernault. Supernault is a Cree/Métis actress who fans will recognize from *Rhymes for Young Ghouls* (2013).

Hayden was nominated for best director at the 42nd Alberta Motion Picture Awards for his work on *The Northlander*. He was appointed as Chairman of Film Advisory at the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology (SAIT) in 2015.

In addition to the upcoming

TV series, Hayden already has two more feature-length projects in the works.

"One is a supernatural drama, and one is going to be a psychological thriller. But we're still in the early stages."

The Northlander premiered in Montreal, and has since been shown across Canada and North America.

It will also be shown on the Aboriginal Peoples Television Network (APTN) over the next three years.

IN BRIEF

Blocked Trans-Canada Highway should re-open Thursday night

Workers expect to have a single lane of traffic on the Trans-Canada Highway moving past a rockslide in Yoho National Park Thursday evening.

The highway has been blocked since late Monday afternoon when a rockslide came down on the road west of Field, B.C. An alternate route is available via Hwy 95 and Hwy 93S through Kootenay National Park.

STAFF/METRO

MURDER CHARGES

Judge appointed for Travis Vader trial

The Alberta government has appointed a former Crown prosecutor in the Travis Vader murder case as a provincial court judge.

Michelle Doyle was chief Crown prosecutor in Edmonton when she stayed first-degree murder charges against Vader in 2014 after discovering Mounties failed to disclose some evidence to lawyers.

Vader was accused of killing seniors Lyle and Marie McCann, who vanished after setting out

on a trip in their motorhome in 2010.

The high-profile case resumed several months later when the Crown reactivated the murder charges.

Vader was convicted last month of second-degree murder, although the case is now caught up in a mistrial application.

Another appointment to the bench includes Edmonton defence lawyer D'Arcy DePoe.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA

Investment needed to offset effects, expert says



David P. Ball
Metro | Vancouver

As child poverty in British Columbia climbs, kids are reaching school age more vulnerable than anytime in the past 15 years, a new University of B.C. report has found.

One in every three B.C. children now enters Kindergarten under-performing on a childhood wellbeing index developed by the university's Human Early Learning Partnership, the Early Development Instrument (EDI).

"We've tried to understand how children are doing," explained UBC school of population and public health researcher Martin Guhn in a phone interview, "and what the context factors are related to their health, wellbeing, and vulner-



1 in 3
B.C. children start school vulnerable in one or more areas that are critical to their healthy development

ability. "Historically, people looked at IQ or language development. But with the EDI, we tried to be more broad and holistic."

To achieve that, HELP relied on questionnaires Kindergarten teachers across the province fill out for each student every February. The teachers are asked to rate each child based on their physical health, social skills, emotional maturity, language development and communica-

tion abilities. The results of this year's report: roughly 14,000 British Columbia kids — 32.2 per cent of children — are deemed vulnerable in at least one of EDI's wellbeing measurements when they reach elementary school. A decade ago, it stood at less than 30 per cent, he said.

"It has slowly crept up," Guhn warned. But he added that not all the indicators were negative; B.C. kids' literacy and numeracy

have improved. Instead, teachers are reporting worsening aggressive and hyperactive behaviours among six-year-olds.

He said that there's no single cause, but researchers believe it may be linked to everything from sugary and fatty diets to plastics and lead in the environment, and a lack of physical activity and outdoor playtime.

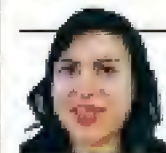
"None by themselves can explain the shift we've been seeing," he cautioned.

The findings don't surprise one B.C. organization that's followed the EDI closely over recent years.

"Children seem to be having an increase in challenges around social and emotional development and their ability to self-regulate," said Joanne Schroeder, executive director of the Comox Valley Child Development Association, who also noted an observable rise in childhood anxiety. "Generally as a population, we're more stressed and anxious, and our kids are certainly reflecting that."

MANITOBA

Farmer canoes to stranded cattle



Jessica Botelho-Urbanski
For Metro | Winnipeg

About 400 cattle are stranded and could soon be starving on a family farm in northwest Manitoba due to the forced flooding of a nearby lake.

Farmer Tim Berscheid is travelling by canoe daily to feed his cows, calves and bulls, which are stuck on what used to be a dry pasture. He said he has enough dry hay to feed them until Thursday and beyond that he's "still trying to solve that puzzle."

"I'm running out of time, I'm running out of feed and I'm still looking for options," Berscheid said by phone.

Berscheid's farm of about 35 years is located in the rural municipality of Kelsey, a community of about 2,100 people close to 620 kilometres northwest of Winnipeg. The area has seen extreme flooding due to heavy rainfall this past summer.

Next door to Berscheid's farm is Pasquia Lake, a basin that's been deliberately flooded numerous times in the last six weeks because of the excessive rainfall.



About 400 cows, bulls and calves are stranded on a Manitoba farm. CONTRIBUTED

The decision to pump the lake is made by a committee with members from the Pasquia Growers Association, the RM of Kelsey and provincial government officials.

Berscheid said he has a meeting scheduled with a spokesperson from the provincial agriculture department Thursday to try to find solutions for his situation.

The deliberate lake pumping was necessary because of "unprecedented rains and flooding for this time of year," a spokesman from Manitoba Agriculture said. "As a result, pumps near this property are activated in accordance to guidelines developed in consultation with a committee."

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ELDER CARE

Killings may cause nursing-home review

A review of Ontario government oversight of nursing homes will be launched "at some point" if one is needed in the wake of a nurse allegedly killing residents, Premier Kathleen Wynne said Wednesday, but the criminal investigation comes first.

Provincial NDP Leader Andrea Horwath pressed the government on if it would conduct a review to ensure Ontario's 78,000 long-term care residents are safe, following news that a nurse was

charged with eight counts of first-degree murder in the deaths of nursing home residents in southwestern Ontario.

That's exactly the question the police are trying to answer, Wynne said.

"It's absolutely imperative that the police have the opportunity to do the work that they need to do to get to the bottom of the questions that are obviously being asked by everyone

"At some point if there is a

need for an independent review or an inquiry we will absolutely undertake that."

Ontario's oversight processes for long-term care homes are strong, said Health Minister Eric Hoskins.

"We have among the best oversight mechanisms for critical incidents as well as for general annual inspections in the world," he said. "We will continue to improve upon that strong, robust system."

Every long-term care home is obligated to report deaths of residents to the coroner, but deaths are only investigated when someone has died as a result of violence, "misadventure," negligence, misconduct, malpractice, "by unfair means," from any illness not being treated by a medical professional, "suddenly and unexpectedly," or from any cause other than disease." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada falls in gender parity: Study

FORUM

Report still gives us full marks for education

"Because it's 2015" may have been reason enough for Canada's Prime Minister to close the gender gap in cabinet last year, but that didn't stop the country from dropping in global rankings of gender parity this year.

Canada ranked 35th on the World Economic Forum's 2016 Global Gender Gap Report, dropping five positions from last year, largely due to lower scores on economic participation and opportunities.

The annual survey of 144 countries measures such factors as salary, educational attainment and the number of women in senior workplace and political positions. Globally, the survey found the widest gap between the sexes exists in political empowerment.

Canada recorded a drop in female legislators, senior officials and managers, it said. But the forum acknowledged advances made at the Parliamentary level in Canada.

The U.S. also fell, to 45th, down from 28th in 2015, largely due to a decrease in women's economic participation and opportunity.

The Switzerland-based forum's annual report suggested it will take another 170 years to close the global wage gap between the

genders if current trends continue. That was worse than estimates last year — that it would take another 118 years to close the gap entirely.

"The gaps between women and men on economic participation and political empowerment remain wide: only 59 per cent of the economic participation gap has been closed — a continued reversal on several years of progress," the forum said.

Globally, the report suggested the education gap could be fully closed within 10 years and it gave Canada full scores on educational attainment for women.



Gaps between women and men on economic participation remain wide.

World Economic Forum's 2016 Global Gender Gap Report

"(Canada's) gender gap in Educational Attainment has remained fully closed since 2013," it said.

Still, Canadian women hit the "glass ceiling" in earnings and workplace advancement after they graduate, reports suggest.

Canadian women are earning about \$8,000 less per year than men doing an equivalent job — nearly double the global average, women's empowerment group Catalyst Canada found last year.

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Poll shows Clinton on the cusp of historic win

U.S. ELECTION

Democratic nominee has significant lead

Hillary Clinton appears on the cusp of a potentially commanding victory over Donald Trump, fueled by solid Democratic turnout in early voting, massive operational advantages and increasing enthusiasm among her supporters.

A new Associated Press-GfK poll released Wednesday finds the Democratic nominee has grabbed significant advantages

over her Republican rival with just 12 days left before Election Day. Among them: consolidating the support of her party and even winning some Republicans.

"I'm going to pick Hillary at the top and pick Republican straight down the line," said poll respondent William Goldstein, a 71-year-old from Long Island, New York, who voted for Mitt Romney in 2012. "I can't vote for Trump."

Overall, the poll shows Clinton leading Trump nationally by a staggering 14 percentage points among likely voters, 51-37. While that is one of her largest margins among recent national surveys,

most show the former secretary of state with a substantial national lead over the billionaire businessman.

The AP-GfK poll finds that Clinton has secured the support of 90 per cent of likely Democratic voters, and also has the backing of 15 per cent of more moderate Republicans. Just 79 per cent of all Republicans surveyed say they are voting for Trump.

With voting already underway in 37 states, Trump's opportunities to overtake Clinton are quickly evaporating — and voters appear to know it. The AP-GfK poll found that 74 per cent of likely voters believe Clinton

will win, up from 63 per cent in September.

Troubles with President Barack Obama's signature health-care law have given Trump a late opening. But even Republicans question whether the rising cost of insurance is enough to overcome the damage the businessman has done to his standing with women and minorities.

"Donald Trump has spent his entire campaign running against the groups he needs to expand his coalition," said Whit Ayres, a Republican pollster who advised Florida Sen. Marco Rubio's failed presidential campaign.

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PAKISTAN FAMED 'AFGHAN GIRL' ARRESTED A Pakistani investigator says the police have arrested National Geographic's famed green-eyed 'Afghan Girl' for having a fake Pakistani identity card. Officials arrested Sharbat Gulla during a raid on Wednesday at a home in Peshawar. Gulla was an Afghan refugee girl when she gained fame in 1984 after photographer Steve McCurry's photograph of her, with piercing green eyes, was published on the cover of National Geographic. AFP/GETTY IMAGES



IN BRIEF

UN chief says including women in peace negotiations pays off Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon says including women in negotiations to end conflicts pays off in longer-lasting peace deals.

The UN chief cited one finding among many: "Peace accords are 35 per cent more likely to last at least 15 years if women are at the table."

He expressed anger at the meeting on Women, Peace and Security that women continue to be excluded and ignored in many peace processes. He asked council members to look at peace negotiations on Syria or Yemen.

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CALAIS

The new jungle: Migrants gathering in unknown place

The grim camp known as "the jungle," a symbol of Europe's failure to come to grips with its crisis over asylum seekers, is no more.

French authorities declared Wednesday they had cleared out the camp after most of its thousands of residents were driven away on buses — an evacuation accelerated because some of the frustrated, departing migrants set fire to parts of the burgeoning slum.

Smoke hung in the air as dusk fell, its stench a reminder of how one of the world's wealthiest nations was unable to create order at the camp, where those fleeing war and poverty have lived in



Migrants stand on a hill overlooking the "Jungle" migrant camp in Calais, France on Wednesday. AFP/GETTY IMAGES

squalor for months or longer.

Most of the camp's former residents, foiled in their bid to enter Britain despite reaching the port city of Calais on the edge of the English Channel, are

being relocated to communities throughout France.

"This jungle is no good. We go to new jungle," said a 20-year-old Pakistani, Muhammad Afridi.

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ENERGY

Oilsands production rebounds: Report

Oilsands producers are expected to report back-to-business third-quarter results over the next few days as they shrug off lingering impacts of last May's devastating wildfires in Fort McMurray, Alta.

While provincial estimates report that Alberta oilsands production dropped by about one million barrels per day in May and by about 700,000 bpd in June, financial analysts say the industry's main players were producing normal volumes in the following three months.

Calgary-based Suncor Energy oilsands production dropped

to 178,000 barrels per day in the second quarter and it reported a \$735-million loss as it shut down production from both mining and steam-injected well operations. Financial analysts expect it to report late Wednesday that oilsands output had been restored to over 440,000 bpd in the quarter ended Sept. 30.

Suncor owns 54 per cent of the Syncrude Canada consortium. Its oilsands mining and upgrading operations were shut down due to a fire-related evacuation, although its facilities suffered no damage. THE CANADIAN PRESS

ECONOMY

Canada waits as EU trade deadline nears

In a race against the clock, the European Union edged closer Wednesday to being able to sign a free trade deal with Canada the next day after Belgium made progress in lifting the veto of one of its regions.

But it remained unclear to everyone — including, it seemed, the federal Liberal government — whether Prime Minister Justin Trudeau would be able to fly to Brussels for an official signature ceremony Thursday, seven years after negotiations began.

EU President Donald Tusk told EU legislators Wednesday that "the summit tomorrow is still

possible" after days of talks in Brussels between the national government and its regions seemed to be heading for a breakthrough. Belgium needs all its regions to sign on and the EU, in turn, needs unanimity among all its 28 states.

Trudeau, in his response to a query about the agreement during question period Wednesday, suggested he's prepared to wait out a longer timeline.

"We are confident that in the coming days we will see a positive outcome for this historic deal," the prime minister told the Commons. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Proof is accumulating that home prices are rising at a faster rate, Canada's federal housing agency said Wednesday. The agency increased its risk rating for the national housing market to its highest level for the first time. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Home prices rising at a faster rate: Fed

REAL ESTATE

Risk rating upgraded to 'strong' by housing agency

There is mounting proof that home prices are rising at a faster rate, Canada's federal housing agency said Wednesday as it increased its risk rating for the national housing market to its highest level for the first time.

Back in July, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corp. said there was little indication of price acceleration, which occurs when home prices are climbing faster than the historical average.

But in its latest housing market assessment report released Wednesday, CMHC said it now

sees moderate evidence that price acceleration is occurring on a national level.

Accelerating prices are a possible sign that speculation — the buying and selling of homes to turn a profit — is taking place, according to the agency.

CMHC also said there was strong evidence that increases in income and population growth have not kept up with the rise in home prices over the last quarter.

The two factors combined prompted CMHC to raise a red flag about possible risks in the national housing market for the first time ever, hiking its risk rating from moderate to strong.

However, the agency is predicting that the market will start to balance itself out next year, with both sales and the pace of housing starts expected to

decline next year before stabilizing in 2018.

"When you have an imbalance like what we're seeing right now in that the level of prices is beyond what fundamentals can support, over the medium term, those kinds of things historically have been resolved," CMHC chief economist Bob Dugan said during a conference call.

"So we would expect to see prices moving more in line with fundamentals rather than the spread just becoming wider and wider."

Royal LePage president Phil

Soper agrees.

"The market does self-regulate and in only rare cases do you get a Vancouver situation, where in a relatively limited geographic area you see spiking home prices," Soper said.

CMHC said there is strong evidence of problematic conditions in Vancouver, Calgary, Saskatoon, Regina, Toronto and Hamilton.

Edmonton, Winnipeg, Montreal and Quebec City show moderate evidence of such conditions, the agency said.

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CHANTAL HÉBERT ON THE SUPREME COURT APPOINTEE



As Justice Malcolm Rowe — Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's first appointee to the Supreme Court — fielded a barrage of questions from MPs and senators on Tuesday, there was nothing to suggest that he was not a flesh-and-blood person.

And yet, only a few months ago, a legal creature with Rowe's attributes was widely deemed to not exist.

Trudeau was deluded, some argued, if he thought he could find a Newfoundland-and-Labrador jurist with sterling credentials and the ability to work in either of Canada's official languages.

To read and listen to some of the commentary, one might have thought the prime minister had sent his headhunting committee on a quest for a unicorn. It may be that John Crosbie and Brian Tobin are to blame for that impression. Despite spending decades on Parliament Hill, neither of those famous political sons of N.L. managed to become fluent in French — at a cost to their national leadership aspirations.

And yet, not only does Rowe fit the job description, but in 2016 his status as a functionally bilingual non-Quebec jurist does not necessarily make him all that exceptional.

According to former prime minister Kim Campbell, who oversaw the process that

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led to the short list Trudeau chose Rowe from, more than a few of the applicants her group considered would have been both valuable additions to the Supreme Court roster and satisfied the language

requirement.

And yes, they hailed from every region of the country. It should not come as a surprise that there is a discrepancy between the actual language proficiency of many non-Quebec judges and lawyers and the perceptions of the politicians and pundits who argue that to appoint Supreme Court justices among the ranks of bilingual applicants is to fish in an overly shallow pool.



THE CHOSEN ONE Justice Malcolm Rowe smiles during a question-and-answer session with members of the Commons justice committee on Tuesday in Ottawa. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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After almost two decades at the Toronto Star, I still do not know exactly how many of my colleagues can handle an interview in French for we tend to speak to each other in English. Back when I mostly worked for French-language media organizations, the same was true when it came to the other journalists' profi-

ciency in English. When it comes to requiring fluency in both official languages to sit on the Supreme Court or, for that matter, to lead a federal party, the real question is not whether

points across.

Just last week, NDP Leader Thomas Mulcair mocked the prime minister, in French, after the latter called him "le membre". In street French, the expression can refer to a male private part. That was lost on Hansard translators. They quoted Mulcair as reprimanding Trudeau for having used the word "deputy."

Rowe's appointment has put flesh on the bone of the Liberal requirement that applicants for a Supreme Court appointment should be functionally bilingual. At one point, Justice Minister Jody Wilson-Raybould suggested it might not be necessary to speak French and English to meet the criteria. Rowe's appointment sets the bar quite a bit higher. There are contenders currently running for Stephen Harper's succession who could not meet it.

By all indications, the bilingualism criterion for Supreme Court appointments is here to stay. Wilson-Raybould told a parliamentary committee as much this week. It will be hard for future governments to set aside the practice, or for this one to lower the fluency standard it has just set with this appointment.

The next scheduled Supreme Court vacancy is expected to be that of chief justice Beverley McLachlin, who will reach the compulsory retirement age of 75 in 2018. Anyone interested in vying for a seat on the top court should consider that fair warning. He or she has two years to hit the books.

Chantal Hébert is a national affairs writer. Her column appears in Metro on Thursdays.

VICKY MOCHAMA



Male-female pay gap is cities' problem, too

At 2:38 p.m. on Monday, the women of Iceland left work. They weren't slacking. They didn't go shopping. This was a protest.

Iceland has been called the most feminist country in the world, but the women there typically earn at least 14 per cent less than men. The protest organizers thought it only fair, therefore, that women should work 14 per cent fewer hours. Even if only for a day.

I couldn't have made the point better myself. I'd love to see the same protest here.

But in an economy as regionally diverse as Canada's, Iceland-style walkouts would vary from city to city. In Winnipeg, women who arrived at work at 9 a.m. would be on the street at 3 p.m. (if they skipped lunch); in Edmonton the 9-to-5 men would be on their own as of 2:12.

Where a woman lives can determine how much the pay gap affects her quality of life. Cities can't wait for federal or provincial governments to make the problem go away. Cities need to take responsibility now. Women can't afford the wait.

The federal government is considering a law mandating pay equity for federally regulated workers. But that legislation won't be tabled until 2018. I have "end patriarchy" scheduled for 2017, so that seems a little late. In the meantime, there's work that cities should do.

Armine Yalnizyan of the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives, told me that cheap and efficient social

services can help close the gap between men and women. "If you have affordable childcare in your community, your boss doesn't need to pay you more."

For example, transit greatly affects women's ability to work. It also determines which neighbourhoods they can live in and whether their kids can safely get around. In this way, city governments can work to give women more options and a better quality of life without having to rely on employers to raise wages, or on higher levels of government to mandate wage increases.

I'm sure the Prime Minister would love to click his heels and grant women the money they've been missing. But pay equity isn't just a problem for the feds. City centres need to take it seriously too. If not, urban women from all backgrounds might just start taking longer lunches.

CITY BY CITY

Regional gaps

Women's average earnings as a percentage of men's average earnings

- 1 Ottawa — 78%
- 2 Toronto — 77%
- 3 Winnipeg — 75%
- 4 Vancouver — 73%
- 5 Halifax — 71%
- 6 Calgary — 68%
- 7 Edmonton — 65%

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A boy's shy smile and tragic death



Joseph Boyden in Toronto last Thursday. Fifty years since the untimely death of Chanie Wenjack, Boyden and Tragically Hip frontman Gord Downie are part of a collective of Canadian artists bringing attention to the indigenous boy's tragic story. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS

Joseph Boyden cried while writing about Chanie Wenjack

Fifty years since the untimely death of Chanie Wenjack, Joseph Boyden is part of a collective of Canadian artists bringing renewed attention to the indigenous boy's tragic story.

The acclaimed author and his friend, Tragically Hip frontman Gord Downie, first learned of Chanie's story from Downie's brother, Mike. He directed them to a 1967 Maclean's article by Ian Adams called *The Lonely Death of Charlie Wenjack*. Boyden was also aware of the song *Charlie Wenjack* by the late aboriginal singer and activist Willie Dunn.

Chanie was forcibly removed from his family home in the northern Ontario community of Ogoki Post and sent to the Cecilia Jeffrey Indian Residential School in Kenora, some 600 kilometres away. He eventually fled but died trying to find his way home. His body was discovered along railroad tracks. Chanie was only 12.

His death led to the first public inquiry into residential schools in Canada. The last of those institutions was shuttered in 1996.

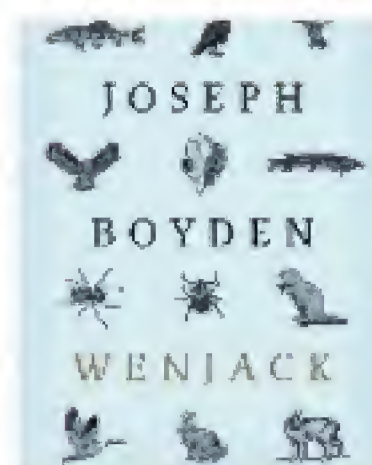
"In so many ways, he's symbolic of the true tragedy of the residential school system. He puts a face to it, and we all recognize that," Boyden said in a recent interview.

Downie translated a collection of poems into music with

his latest solo project, *Secret Path*. The 10-track album is accompanied by a graphic novel by Jeff Lemire and an animated film slated to be broadcast by CBC on Sunday.

In *Wenjack*, Boyden presents a fictional retelling of the young Ojibwe boy's story. Chanie is followed by Manitous, or spirits of the forest, which provide commentary as well as a form of comfort on his attempted journey home. The book features illustrations by Cree artist Kent Monkman depicting the various Manitous, which include an owl, mouse, pike and wood tick.

"The animals start showing up and telling the bigger story and Chanie's telling his story,"



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said Boyden. "I did not plan for that book to come out that way, but I felt like I was channelling something important."

Boyden said he has spoken on the phone with Pearl Achneepineskum, Chanie's sister, and wanted to ensure he had her blessing to proceed with the project. His author's note is accompanied by the only known existing photo of Chanie, sporting a shy smile.

Boyden said he was also asked by electronic music group A Tribe Called Red to contribute a few spoken word tracks on Chanie, while Métis filmmaker Terri Calder has created a stop-motion animated film.

"It was really this kind of interesting collaboration where we didn't really converse with each other. All of these different artists went to their places all with the understanding that on Oct. 18, let's release it to the world."

Clocking in just under 100 pages, the *Wenjack* novella is Boyden's shortest work but one that had a profound impact on the award-winning author, who said he cried while writing the end of the book.

"It was exhausting to write, but it was also kind of a joyful experience. I think there's hope in this story. Chanie gets to breathe again, but in a different way. He gets to have his story told. He doesn't want to be forgotten. He wants to be around."

"I could sense that about him, you know? Maybe this is how he gets to do it — all of these different artists breathing life into it."

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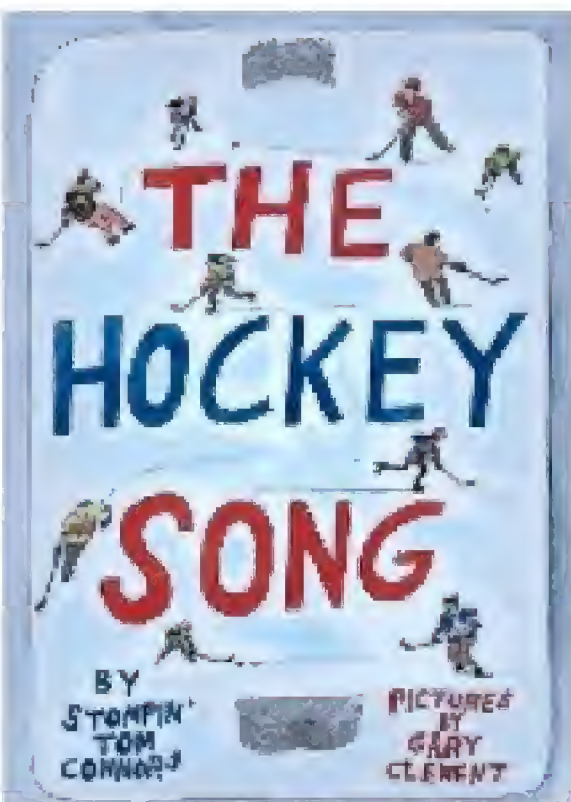
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TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



1 Anthropology

The McDavid Effect: Connor McDavid and the New Hope for Hockey by Marty Klinkenberg is about so much more than Connor McDavid, or indeed a game involving ice, rubber and sticks. It is, in effect, a work of social anthropology documenting how a 19-year-old kid born in Richmond Hill, who grew up in Newmarket, Ont., has instilled renewed pride in the Edmonton Oilers and a city sorely in need of a renewed sense of itself. McDavid, who became the youngest captain of a team in NHL history earlier this month, joined the team at the beginning of the last season, so Klinkenberg has done some breakneck skating himself, concluding his story in April.



3 Music

Stompin' Tom's iconic "The Hockey Song" has been — and still is — played at games throughout North America, a rousing paean to, in his words, "the best game you can name." Now the new book The Hockey Song, Stompin' Tom Connors arrives for a new generation illustrated by the inimitable Gary Clements, who begins with a dad and his son heading out for a shinny game in an urban rink, the city lights twinkling in the distance. Everyone is included, black, brown and white, men and women, young and old, wearing every team insignia imaginable.



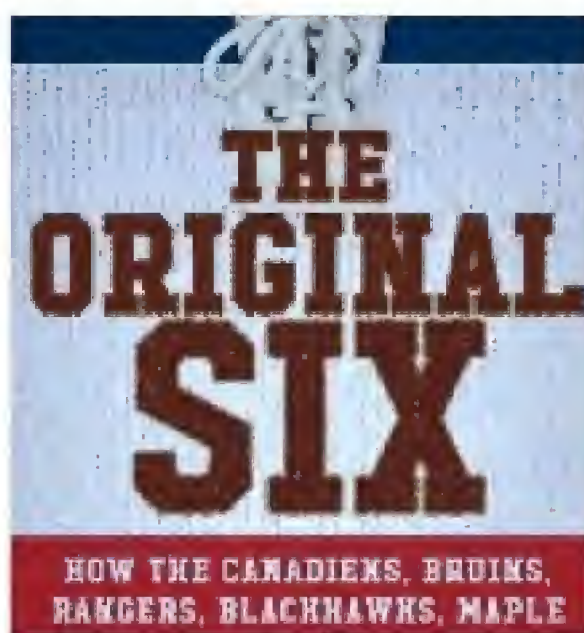
4 Design

In Architecture on Ice: A History of the Hockey Arena, Howard Shubert, the former curator of prints and drawings at the Canadian Centre for Architecture, presents this definitive tour of skating rinks and arenas — including 164 archival photos — from the earliest days, when community rinks were primarily venues for fun and flirtation to today's mammoth entertainment centres, where hockey is but one of the draws. Fun fact: arenamaps.com lists almost 3,000 indoor and outdoor rinks in Canada, more than 1,000 in Ontario alone.



2 Anthology

Here's a nifty idea for a hockey book: Ken Reid, the co-anchor of Sportsnet Central, tracked down 40 of the 350-odd men who have played a single NHL game for One Night Only: Conversations With the NHL's One-Game Wonders. Each explains how their one game came about, and how it felt to play in the world's greatest hockey league, if only briefly. Reid has an encyclopedic grasp of the game and an affable storytelling facility. Fun fact: His final one-game wonder is Don Cherry, in 1955 a 21-year-old first-year pro, who one night played for the Bruins against the Canadiens.



5 History

The Original Six: How the Canadiens, Bruins, Rangers, Blackhawks, Maple Leafs, and Red Wings Laid the Groundwork for Today's NHL will prove irresistible for hockey historians and trivia buffs. Each team — from Montreal (1909, at the Jubilee Arena), Toronto (1917, at Mutual Street Arena, when the team was called the Toronto Arenas), Boston (1924, at the Boston Arena), New York Rangers (1926, at Madison Square Garden), Chicago (1926, at Chicago Coliseum) and Detroit (1926, at Border Cities Arena, in Windsor) — gets equal time.

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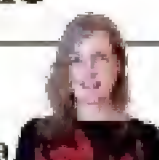


Nova Scotia author taps into the witching power

FEMINIST WRITING

Physical melds with spiritual in historical fiction tale

Sue Carter
For Metro Canada



Nova Scotia author Ami McKay has always been open to the occult and inexplicable magical occurrences, from her early days insisting on dressing as a witch every Halloween, through her black-lipsticked teenage goth years.

Beloved for her historical fiction since the arrival of her best-selling 2006 debut novel, *The Birth House*, McKay has found a way to incorporate her love of the unknown into the genre with her new book, *The Witches of New York*.

"It feels like a natural progression but I think some people will find, because there is so much

magic in it, that it is a departure from straight-up historical fiction," McKay says. "But I found it really freeing to write about magic as if it's real."

The *Witches of New York* was originally born because McKay couldn't let go of Moth, the mind-reading protagonist from her last novel, *The Virgin Cure*. In this new story, set in 1880s New York City, Moth — who now goes by the name Adelaide — has opened a tea shop with Eleanor, a witch who administers all sorts of potions and herbal remedies to high-society ladies. When a young woman named Beatrice, with mystical powers of her own, begins working at the shop, both the spiritual and physical worlds are shaken up by her presence.

Like McKay's previous books, *The Witches of New York* is bound together by her deep research, feminist passion and love of the era. But something else — magic again, perhaps — was at play here. While writing, McKay takes breaks for brain rest. Baking, gardening, beekeeping and *World of Warcraft* have been



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Ami McKay

great distractions. But during *The Witches of New York*, she began doing genealogical research, and discovered that Nathaniel Hawthorne, author of *The Scarlet Letter*, was a very distant cousin. As McKay was reading his biography, she made an unsettling discovery: she is also related to one of the harshest judges who presided during the Salem witch trials, when 20 people were executed for practicing the "Devil's magic."

"It made me angry. Here I am writing about witches and misogyny and feminist power, and he's the one I'm related to," McKay says. "I wrote in my journal that day, 'I'm going to make this guy roll in his grave.'"

But the "most moving and

emotional experience" for McKay was also learning that she had an aunt who was hanged for witchcraft in Salem, and four more who were accused, but not killed. "Perhaps these things are in our blood — we carry this genetic memory with us," she says.

There were moments too coincidental for McKay to ignore. Like the woman, who self-identified as a witch, whom McKay met on a plane on her way to Toronto for a book-publicity event.

"Once you open yourself up to it, you realize the whole world is magic," McKay says. "And if you don't believe, I feel really sorry for you."

Sue Carter is the editor at Quill & Quire magazine.

BOOK BRIEFS

Michael Bloomberg co-authoring climate change book

Former New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg is working with environmentalist Carl Pope on a book about climate change. St. Martin's Press told *The Associated Press* on Wednesday that *Overheated: How Cooler Heads Can Cool the World* will come out April 18. According to St. Martin's, Bloomberg and Pope hope to remove the "partisan rhetoric" and offer "viable, concrete solutions."

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Divergent author to tour in for new book

Veronica Roth wants the tour for her sci-fi/fantasy novel *Carve the Mark* to be a little like the book itself, a "sojourn" defined by "exploration and curiosity." Roth's book comes out in mid-January and HarperCollins told *The Associated Press* on Wednesday that she will visit 10 cities, starting in New York on Jan. 17. Roth expects an enthusiastic, but calmer reception than when she promoted the last of the *Divergent* books, *Allegiant*.

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GRAPHIC NOVEL

One hundred tales, one tangled web

Mike Donachie
Metro | Canada

One Hundred Nights of Hero
BY: Isabel Greenberg
PUBLISHER: Bond Street Books/Penguin Random House

If any book is a labour of love, it's this one.

Isabel Greenberg's beautiful work, in the tradition of the *Arabian Nights*, tells of two women and their attempts to use stories to keep men at bay.

It owes a lot to Neil Gaiman, too, but this gorgeous volume comes from a female voice, tapping into themes of betrayal, danger and, above all, love.

In the fictional kingdom of Migdalia Bavel, where men rule supreme and worship a god who took over as deity because he thought his daughter wasn't doing it right, Cherry is betrothed to a man, Jerome.

But Cherry loves Hope, her maidserv-

ant, and they have a secret relationship.

So when Jerome agrees to a bet in which his friend Manfred has 100 nights to seduce Cherry, the girls use the power of stories as a delaying tactic, like *Sheherazade*.

Unlike the queen in the *Arabian Nights*, however, these are stories about women and their secret tradition of storytelling, and they're compelling stuff.



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Making a doc about your heroes

INTERVIEW

The super stress Mat Whitecross faced with the brothers Oasis

Steve Gow
For Metro Canada



It's a stern warning that has been repeated many times throughout history: You should never meet your heroes.

But that is exactly what documentary filmmaker Mat Whitecross did when he set out to make a movie about music superstars Oasis.

"I had the posters on the wall, I had the albums, the singles, I was reading about them every week in all the music magazines — so it was kind of nerve-wracking," recalled the director of *Oasis: Supersonic* ahead of the music doc's theatrical release.

"I was expecting it to be a disaster."

Whitecross had good reason for concern. Not only did Oasis rise to become Britain's biggest band in the '90s with hits like *Wonderwall*, but the Manchester act's two leads — Liam and Noel Gallagher — became notorious for sibling squabbles and fights, erratic behaviour and caustic outspoken statements.

These guys weren't exactly ambassadors of affability.

"That's part of the reason we made the film," insisted Whitecross of the impetus to profile the estranged Gallaghers.

"You've got the two brothers and that love-hate relationship; that volatile thing that played out so publicly is fascinating. Bands now don't have anywhere near the kind of danger around them."

Buoyed by archive footage and intimate tales of scandalous road stories, *Oasis: Supersonic* has been gaining acclaim for its inspection of both the discord and devotion between the brothers that once brazenly called themselves the next Beatles.

Yet, even seven years after their final performance, Whitecross still isn't able to get the siblings together in a room to talk about the storied career that earned them a place in the Guinness Book of Records for most consecutive Top Ten singles.

"Liam will talk very affectionately about Noel and Noel similarly about Liam.

"Then five minutes later,



Noel Gallagher, one half of the perpetually squabbling siblings. The documentary *Oasis: Supersonic* will play Thursday, Oct. 27 on 40 screens across Canada. COURTESY JILL FURMANOVSKY

I've worked with a lot of musicians and actors and so on in the past and I never get stage fright, I never get nervous. But the first two times I met Liam and Noel separately, I was absolutely s—ing myself Mat Whitecross

WILD MOMENTS

The Whiskey a Go-Go Show

Oasis made their American debut at L.A.'s famous rock club Whiskey a Go-Go apparently after taking crystal meth. "It was a total disaster," said Whitecross.

"The set list was wrong, people were playing different songs. Then Liam threw a tambourine at Noel and Noel stormed off and quit the

band."

Near-death in Detroit

Celebrating the band's success in America, Noel went on a drug binge and attempted to avoid slumber. "He didn't go to bed for like a week," said Whitecross.

"They had to take him to (a hospital) and pump him full of stuff to stop him from dying."

they slag each other off," laughed the 39-year-old filmmaker who has directed music videos for the likes of Jay-Z and Coldplay.

"I used to joke these are like

therapy sessions. For Liam, definitely — it was like the therapy he never had, but they both seemed to enjoy the process of going back in a huge amount of detail over the past."

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WHAT I'M WATCHING

Captain obvious helms this show

THE SHOW: *Locked Up Abroad*, Season 10, Episode 1 (T&E)
THE MOMENT: The master of understatement

Jim Pap Rocki tells his story to the camera, accompanied by filmed, bad-wig recreations: In 1972, he's 19, newly married. His wife is pregnant. He needs cash.

His glamorous brother-in-law is flying 1,000 kilos of marijuana out of Mexico. Jim agrees to assist him for \$20,000.

While flying home, the extra fuel tank reheats. The dope catches on fire. The plane crashes.

The Americans are arrested, tortured with cattle prods, and sentenced to five years in a terrifying Mexican prison.

Jim hears of a jailbreak plan. He gets his brother Kurt to wait outside in a car. The jailbreak fails. Kurt is tossed into the prison.

"So now I'm thinking," Jim says, "this is really starting to become a nightmare."

NOW it's a nightmare?

First of all, I find it remarkable that there are nine previous seasons of this series, given its rather limited scope. How different can the stories be? "I did something bad. I got caught."

I imagine everything hinges on how vividly the subject tells his tale.

Ole' Jim here, he's a straight-up guy. We don't hear the filmmakers' questions, but I can tell they're labouring to pry any emotion out of him: "You had a gun pointed at you — how did you feel?"

Jim's replies are, shall we say, pithy: "I realized we were in trouble."

"It was a bad, bad feeling."

Asked to sum up what he learned, Jim delivers my favourite line: "Looking back on it, it was not a very good decision." Best use of "very" ever.

Johanna Schneller is a media connoisseur who zeroes in on pop-culture moments. She appears Monday through Thursday.



Apparently this show has been on for 10 seasons. Who knew?

HANDOUT



Dr. Enric Sala, National Geographic Explorer-in-Residence and Leonardo DiCaprio, right, in the Canadian Arctic near the North Pole, filming the new documentary *Before The Flood*. CONTRIBUTED/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Leo was a reluctant star in climate change film

INTERVIEW

Canada-centric doc forced DiCaprio to be himself

Canada features prominently in Leonardo DiCaprio's new climate-change documentary *Before The Flood* and director Fisher Stevens said he was "really horrified" by scenes of the oilsands in north-eastern Alberta.

"It does employ a lot of people," said Stevens of the oil industry, during an interview at the Toronto International Film Festival, where *Before the Flood* had its world premiere. The documentary will be screened in 171 countries, in 45 languages, when it debuts on the National Geographic Channel on Sunday.

"Look, we all want work, we all need jobs — God knows. And it would be great if it was like: 'Now, we take all of these people and we replant all of that forest.' Wouldn't that be amazing?"

DiCaprio is a producer on the film, which sees the actor travel to several continents and the Arctic, meeting with political and religious leaders, scientists and activists.

The Oscar-winning actor has been a longtime advocate for environmental issues, and was designated a United Nations Messenger of Peace with a special focus on climate change in 2014. Still, Stevens said DiCaprio was initially hesitant to appear on-screen, despite his passion for the film and the cause.

"He called me and he said: 'Hey, man, the planet's getting worse and I want to make another climate-change movie, and

I want you to do it with me'" recalled Stevens, an actor and filmmaker whose past environmentally focused projects include *Mission Blue* and *Racing Extinction* and working as a producer on the Oscar-winning documentary *The Cove*.

"He said: 'Yeah, I'm willing to be in this one.' And I think he regretted that for sure — at first. He wasn't used to having the cameras in his face like that, and he was quite uncomfortable at times, not having lines, not playing a character — just being Leo."

"He's a wonderful person," Stevens added. "[I said to him]: 'You're the guy. If ever we can use a movie to move the needle, you're the guy.'"

The timing of the documentary's release is no coincidence. The duo was determined to have it completed in advance of the


looming U.S. election.

"The Senate and the Congress, as you see in the film, is full of people on the payroll of the fossil fuel industry, and (who) are worried that they're going to lose their seats if they push the climate agenda," said Stevens.

"We're going to have some swing state screenings (and) get rid of these people if we can. It's really time. It's finally time that people wake up."

Stevens remained buoyed by positive trends that have emerged, pointing to renewable energy becoming more affordable, U.S. President Barack Obama speaking out on climate change, as well as Pope Francis's encyclical on the environment.

"We're not trying to preach to the converted. That wasn't our interest. We want to make a cool film, a film that people really drink in." THE CANADIAN PRESS



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Canada's nominee, Ardem, up for best British brand

WOMENSWEAR

Montreal-born designer faces off at British Fashion Awards

London-based Canadian label Erdem is up for best British brand at the British Fashion Council's Fashion Awards.

Montreal-born designer Erdem Moralioglu faces competition from industry giants Alexander McQueen, Burberry, Christopher Kane and Stella McCartney.

The category recognizes a leading British-based brand that has made an impact on the international stage.

Moralioglu has had a good track record at the annual bash. Last year he won the establishment designer award, and the year before he nabbed womenswear designer of the year.

The Duchess of Cambridge and Oscar winners Anne Hathaway and Gwyneth Paltrow are among those who have worn his creations. Sophie Grégoire Trudeau wore his dress to the prime minister's swearing-in ceremony last year.

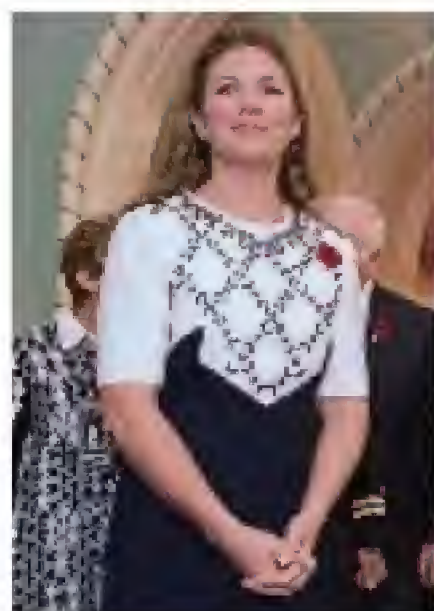
The winners will be announced Dec. 5 in a ceremony at London's Royal Albert Hall.

The Canadian-born designer moved to London to attend the Royal College of Art.

After graduation, Moralioglu moved to New York to work in the design studios of fashion icon Diane von Furstenberg. He returned to the U.K. in 2005 to launch his eponymous label, building a reputation for modern feminine designs and vibrant, custom-designed prints.

Moralioglu's other Fashion Award accolades include the red carpet award in 2013 and the new establishment award in 2012.

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Sophie Grégoire-Trudeau wearing clothes from Erdem.

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A model walks the runway at the Erdem show during the London Fashion Week's Spring/Summer collections.

ANTHONY HARVEY/GETTY IMAGES

INDIAN CUISINE

Elite chefs spice things up in Old Delhi

An elite club of chefs is taking a break from feeding the world's most powerful leaders to visit the Indian capital and sample its spicy, aromatic cuisine.

Wending through the crowded alleyways of Old Delhi's pungent spice market, the group of 18 gourmands sneezed and coughed as they smelled and sampled everything from turmeric and cloves to dried red chilies and pomegranate seeds.

Cristeta Comerford, the executive chef in President Barack Obama's White House, said she was "learning a lot" sampling north Indian delicacies, and that Tuesday's trip to the chaotic spice bazaar — Asia's largest wholesale spice market — was "one of the most amazing experiences."

"You really got to experience everything — you smelled it, you felt it, you see the people that are working to make sure that all of these spices are brought to our homes," she said.

The group, called Le Club des Chefs des Chefs, is a collec-



A group of gourmands from the Le Club des Chefs des Chefs, walks at Khari Baoli, Asia's largest wholesale spice market, in New Delhi, India.

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tion of personal chefs serving global heads of state. The group was founded in 1977 in Paris by French chef Gilles Bragard.

This is the first time they are holding their annual general assembly in India.

With India eager to promote its diverse street foods and rich curries with the likes of the British royal family or French President Francois Hollande, its

kitchens have been serving up a week long feast for the visiting chefs.

"We've been treated to some fantastic, different foods," prepared with milder mixtures of hot spices so as not to upset sensitive stomachs, said Mark Flanagan, chef to the British royals.

He declined to say what Queen Elizabeth II preferred

to have for her dinners, but noted the strong links between Britain and India dating back to the British Empire.

"Indian food has become very much a part of British culture. So to see it in the real, in flesh so to speak, is fantastic," Flanagan said.

But persuading chefs to feature foreign dishes once they're home may be tricky, with many saying the world leaders they cook for have particular palates.

Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and his family, for example, "lead a very busy life" and enjoy "comfort food, home-style food," said Indo-Canadian chef Neil Dhawan.

The annual assembly also gives the chefs a chance to exchange recipes and discuss ways in which food can help in diplomacy.

While in India on an invitation from President Pranab Mukherjee, the club also prepared a charity dinner for Nobel Peace Prize winner Kailash Satyarthi's children's charity.

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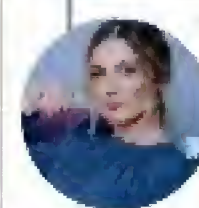


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THE LIST FALL SHOPPING

We asked three stylish Calgarians to share their top fall must-have

ALLANA DAVISON, @allanaramaa



"Fall is my favourite time of year because I can crack out my drapery cozy sweaters and wear them every day. This turtleneck poncho will make a wonderful addition to my fall wardrobe. Bonus: It's a beautiful pop of colour!"

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MELANIE MORAIS, @bornlippystyle



"Now that the fall season is upon us, a great pair of tan boots is essential. These boots are the perfect height, and the different tones add some interest."



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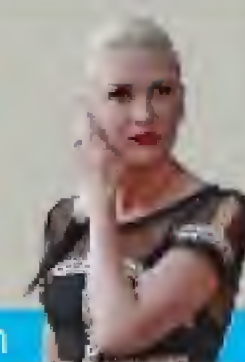


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This exclusive townhome community is complete with two private park areas, an abundance of greenspace and various pathways that connect to a picturesque environmental reserve. Each townhome comes with a single attached garage, a deck and full landscaping.

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In the neighbourhood

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Prince Albert II tours, inspects new digs

PHILADELPHIA

The Colonial home housed his mother, Grace Kelly

Prince Albert II of Monaco was in Philadelphia on Tuesday inspecting a house he recently purchased: the home where his mother, Oscar-winning actress Grace Kelly, grew up and accepted a marriage proposal from his father, Prince Rainier III.

Albert spent nearly an hour inside the home and walking around the property, which he bought for \$754,000. He waved to the media and a handful of fans lined up on the sidewalk across the street from the home, but made no public statements.

His cousin, John B. Kelly III, attended the inspection with Prince Albert and said afterward the prince is still considering ideas about what to do with the 2.5-storey Colonial home.

Kelly said it's possible the home could house the U.S. office of the prince's charitable foundation, which focuses



The prince, centre, visits where Oscar-winning actress Grace Kelly grew up, and accepted a marriage proposal from his father, Prince Rainier III of Monaco. MATT ROURKE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

on environmental issues. He said they were also discussing ways the space could be used to showcase interests that Princess Grace held dear, like fashion, Irish literature, drama and athletics. But opening it as a full-time museum is unlikely, adding, "If it was successful, the neighbours wouldn't like

us very much."

For now, they are focusing on getting the home back in good condition while discussing ideas for its use.

Kelly said they spent the time inside the house Tuesday reminiscing about parties and "hanging out in the garage."

The home was built in 1935

by Grace Kelly's father, John B. Kelly. He was a three-time Olympic gold medal-winning rower in the 1920s and later a prominent businessman active in Philadelphia politics.

Grace Kelly left Philadelphia at age 20 for Hollywood but remained adored by Philadelphians through the years. The



Prince Albert II of Monaco waves following Tuesday's tour of his recent \$754,000 purchase. MATT ROURKE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

city mourned after she died in 1982 from injuries she suffered in a car crash in France that involved her teenage daughter. She was 52.

Once asked about memories growing up in Philadelphia, Kelly recalled walking along the Wissahickon Creek in Fairmount Park, saying it was her "greatest treat."

Her childhood home last made headlines in 2014 when its 81-year-old former owner pleaded no contest to animal cruelty charges for keeping cats and dogs in unsanitary condi-

tions. Officials with the Pennsylvania Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals seized 15 cats from the home and found the remains of several others. The owner had lived in the large brick house since 1973.

John Kelly said Prince Albert had wanted to purchase the home for a few years, but it hadn't been on the market until now.

"It's been his idea and he really wanted to do this to preserve his mother's house, so he's very happy right now," Kelly said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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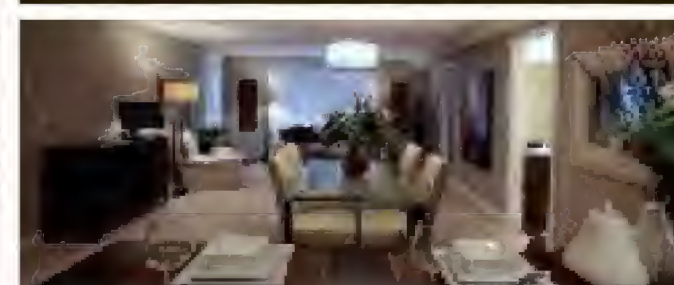
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Back to black



Black accents paired with a softer colour give a room a polished look and are great for those who can't deal with the drama of a full dark walls. iStock

COLOUR

Don't be intimidated by this strong shade

**Glen
Peloso**
For Torstar News Service

Let's face it — every colour suffers a little from black envy.

A discussion of colour will eventually conjure up the comment that something has become "the new black." However, there's never a replacement needed. Black is an extraordinary colour, or lack thereof, which requires no new version and is, essentially, needed in every room design in one way, shape or form.

Here are five great ways to introduce an element of this classic tone into your space, ranging from the subtle to the dramatic:

Walls

People are often frightened by the suggestion of a black wall colour or wallpaper. Typically, people associate black with darkness.

Conversely, we like to think of it as a rich, deep colour. From a design perspective,

darkness refers to poor light levels that can be rectified relatively easily. Black walls make for a dramatic room and works well with mixed metals. The effect is a dramatic, high-design room.

Trim

The standard look is coloured walls and white trim. The white is usually a builder's easy choice, as the trim stock comes with a white "primer" already applied.

But that doesn't make it the only choice. The one rule of trim is it should be a consistent colour throughout the house. Black trim can look brilliant, similar to a kohl eyeliner, framing the walls and the room.

Furniture

Black is an amazing colour for upholstered furniture and pieces that are a combination of fabric and wood frames. Traditional pieces, such as a Louis XV or bergère chair, can be wonderfully updated by painting its frames black to feature the silhouettes of the extraordinary designs.

Dining tables or side tables painted black also work in any room and with any colour scheme.

Accents

Not everyone is prepared to go with — or is comfortable

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Every room needs some elements of black, even in a beach house purposely layered in whites.

Once you open your mind to it, the possibilities are endless: from black wall clocks to umbrella stands, statues, vases, trays, floor mats, toss cushions and so on.

Black can act either as a visual break from colour, like a rest in music, or as a focal point in a room.

with the drama of — black. It does require more attention and maintenance, largely because things such as dust and dirt particles show up more vividly on black.

The colour can be used beautifully in details such as backsplashes, lamp shades and wrought iron, or sometimes just in the piping detail on a sofa or chair.

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A DIY wreath that's dead easy

CRAFTING

Add some spooky je ne sais quoi to your door

Debra Norton
For Torstar News Service

Give all the little ghouls and goblins that arrive at your door the evil eye this Halloween.

At first glance it seems like a regular wreath, but take a closer look and you see its fading flowers are giving you the hairy eyeball.

It's a fun and simple way to add a little creepy décor to your home.

TRY IT

Step 1: Gather the supplies

You'll need:

- Wreath
- Faux flowers
- Floral wire
- Large googly eyes
- Glue gun & glue sticks
- Scissors
- Craft paint (optional)



We purchased a black wreath from the Halloween décor section of a craft store.

If you can't find a wreath in black, you can try spray-painting a green wreath with black paint.

Step 2: Add flowers

Cut off a portion of the stems from the faux flowers — but make sure to leave enough stem length so that when it is inserted through the wreath, you've got approximately 1 inch (2.5 cm) left.

Wrap a piece of floral wire around the bottom portion of the stem.

Insert the stem through the wreath.

Use the floral wire that is wrapped on the stem to attach it to the wreath.

Repeat with each flower.

Step 3: add googly eyes

Heat up the glue gun and apply hot glue to the centre of the flower.

Press the googly eye firmly in place. Repeat for each flower. Let dry.

Step 4: Paint the tips of the flower petals (optional)

Dab a little craft paint on the tips of each petal to add a little more drama to the wreath. Let dry.

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PAINT IT BLACK

If you can't find a wreath in black, you can try spray-painting a green wreath with black paint.



This wreath can be made in four steps or less. PHOTOS DEBRA NORTON/FOR TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Good credit takes time to establish

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Generation X, who are roughly 37 to 51 years old now, are doing slightly better with 33 per cent having subprime credit. For Boomers, TransUnion reports, this figure is down to 20 per cent. The generational difference makes sense — good credit can take time to establish, or to rebuild after past financial speed bumps. Whatever your age, a credit rating reflects your past, but it also affects your future. Tackling your low score will open doors for you, from purchasing a vehicle to securing a mortgage.



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Auto Credit

Financing a new or used vehicle is actually a good opportunity to rebuild your credit. Many dealerships offer a wide variety of financing terms and work with you and the lender to come up with your best option.

If you have good credit, you'll get the best interest rates available, on the best terms. Good interest rates can save you thousands over the life of the loan.

If you have problematic credit, your first loan will be higher interest. But if you continue making timely payments, you can return to the dealership for refinancing after a period of usually 12-24 months. Refinancing means you renegotiate your loan and get a better rate — saving money every month.

Options and Solutions

There are solutions available for almost every

scenario. Dealerships will vary, but options may include payment deferrals, refinancing an existing vehicle, trade-ins, upgrading or downgrading your vehicle, cash back, debt consolidation, private sale financing, job loss insurance, estate and payment protections, extended warranties, and so on. Some loans may require a downpayment, but most don't.

If you have credit card debts, debt consolidation may be a good option. Your credit card debt can be absorbed into your auto loan and be paid with the car, at a lower rate, thereby reducing your total interest paid. Students, self-employed, newcomers to Canada and those that have just started new work can also qualify.

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Even if you don't win the car, Kia City boasts new and used vehicles at a variety of price points, with a variety of rebates and financing options. Even troubled credit isn't an issue.

"If somebody with challenged credit comes in, we can put them on a plan that fits their budget — and by purchasing a vehicle, they can rebuild their credit back up over time," says Ostrom. "Over a couple years' time — or even in 18 months — they can come back in and trade off their vehicle, purchase another vehicle, and get a lower interest rate — always staying within the same budget."

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"There are solutions for everybody," Ostrom says. "Some approvals may require a downpayment, but most don't."

"With the economy as it is right now, challenged credit is on the rise," he continues. "We're here to help those people with challenged credit — we help them overcome that and put themselves back in a prime rate again."

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Started earlier this year, the dealership continues to offer free job loss protection on all new cars.

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If a new vehicle is financially out of reach, Kia City also offers a Certified Pre-Owned Vehicle Program that boasts newer vehicles with low mileage, including

inspections, repairs and a history report, and warranty coverage that includes 24-hour roadside assistance.

If you still aren't satisfied, the program even offers an exchange option and transferable warranty. Some of the vehicles available in this program are less than \$15,000.

Visit kiacity.ca for more information, or to fill out a brief online application for a pre-approval.

Kia City is located at 100 Glendeer Circle at Calgary Auto Mall.

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“Our inventory scales from Lamborghini right down to Honda Civics, from Jeep Cherokees to Dodge Caravans,” says owner Justin Klee. “We range from \$5,000 cars all the way up to \$300,000. There’s a huge range; we have

350 cars in stock between four locations, so there’s something for everybody.”

If you’re on a tight budget, purchasing an inexpensive used vehicle can feel like a risk: Will it be reliable? Klee says every car — both affordable and luxury models — comes with full disclosure.

“We have our own mechanic shops; we have our own detail shops,” he says. “We provide the customer with a car proof that shows any accidents or liens on the car, and also a full

technical inspection, with a detailed copy of all the work that we’ve done to it.”

For added protection, House of Cars offers warranties, Klee says, from 30 days to three years. Even if the House of Cars’ expansive inventory cannot satisfy your very specific needs, you’re not limited to their lots. Did you see your dream truck on Kijiji? No problem, Klee says, House of Cars can finance a private sale on your behalf — they secure the financing for you and cut a cheque for the seller.

Literally, almost any car could be yours. Klee says they can access a countrywide database to find a vehicle from practically anywhere in Canada, whether it’s in Moose Jaw or Montreal. “If you’re looking for a pink Audi A4,” he says, “we can find it.”

House of Cars has four locations total, three in Calgary and one in Medicine Hat. Visit houseofcarscalgary.com for more information. Click on “Financing” to start the application process with a quick online form.

Flexible options even for problematic credit

A credit rating is not a one-time deal. It grows and changes with you — and there are always second chances.

Problematic credit, however, is still a reality for many in a slumping economy — sometimes a minor financial hiccup will set back your rating, says Justin Klee, owner of House of Cars. A bad rating then limits other aspects of your life; from buying a condo to starting a business.

But there’s always a way out: House of Cars can help rebuild your credit through a wide variety of options, Klee says, flexible enough for every situation you may be stuck in.

“We come up with payment plans within people’s budgets and we have a wide range of interest rates and finance terms,” he says. “We offer credit consolidation — so if people have a lot of credit card debt, we can hide the debt into an auto loan and then basically get them a lower interest rate than the credit card.”



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There are also cash-back, refinancing, trade-ins, affordable biweekly payments and unemployment insurance options available. “We have 20 different lenders, from TD, Royal Bank and Scotiabank,” Klee says, “to subprime lenders that deal with bankruptcies, discharges, repossession, and so on.”

House of Cars doesn’t only want to help rebuild your credit to a prime position, they want to help keep it that way.

“We offer our clients credit solutions, but we also we walk them through the whole process with the credit bureaus,” Klee says. “We let them understand everything; we don’t just push them through.”

House of Cars’ independence as a dealership allows them to operate by their own standards — not answering to any head office. “We’re not a franchise dealer so we’re not bound by any franchise rules,” he explains. “We essentially created our own franchise, so now, for us, it’s about educating the public and educating our clients.”

“Once our clients rebuild their credit,” he adds, “it rebuilds their actual life. And then they educate their family and friends, and they send them here.”

Visit houseofcarscalgary.com for more information. House of Cars also offers a \$500 referral program; visit the website for details.

‘Complete transparency’

“We’re changing the face of car dealerships,” says House of Cars owner Justin Klee. “So many people I’ve spoken to are scared to walk into a dealership, they think they’re going to get hustled or taken advantage of; everything is behind closed doors.”

His dealership, however, staffs younger employees — mostly in their 20s and 30s — and they all operate with “complete transparency.”

“You can watch the whole process,” Klee says. “All of our stores are wide open with the sales team in the middle — you can see and hear everything. Nothing is behind closed doors.”

“It feels like hanging out with your buddy,” he adds, “and learning about buying a car, and learning how your credit works.”

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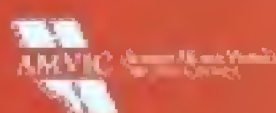
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Though Georges St-Pierre has answered UFC middleweight champion Michael Bisping's challenge, a match has yet to be announced



Cubs pitcher Jake Arrieta makes an offering to the plate on Wednesday night. GENE PUSKAR/POOL/GETTY IMAGES

Miller time is any time for Cleveland

David Ross marvels at Andrew Miller and the break on his sinister slider.

"He's hard to catch," said the Chicago Cubs catcher and Miller's teammate in Boston three years ago. "When you know he's hard to catch, you know he's hard to hit."

Miller escaped a pair of jams to pitch two scoreless innings and help the Cleveland Indians beat the Chicago Cubs 6-0 in the World Series opener Tuesday night.

A six-foot-seven lefty with an enormous wingspan, Miller has developed baseball's most unhittable pitch. He is perhaps the biggest factor in Cleveland's first AL pennant since 1997, a throwback willing to close or enter in the middle innings.

"It kind of sets the tone for our mindset as a club, just try-

ing to figure out a way to help your team win," Cleveland closer Cody Allen said.

Now 31, Miller was acquired from the Yankees on Aug. 1 for four prospects. He has thrown 13-2/3 scoreless innings this post-

season with 24 strikeouts. He was voted AL Championship Series MVP.

"There's a reason we gave up what we did for him," Indians manager Terry Francona said. "We thought that he could be a guy that we could leverage in situations like we have. And it would make our bullpen that much better and give us a chance to keep playing." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Andrew Miller
GETTY IMAGES

Cubs even the score

WORLD SERIES

Arrieta flirts with no-hitter; Chicago goes home tied 1-1

Jake Arrieta made a teasing run at history, Kyle Schwarber drove in two runs and the Chicago Cubs brushed off a shutout to even the World Series with their first Fall Classic win in 71 years, 5-1 over the Cleveland Indians in Game 2 on Wednesday night.

GAME 2 In Cleveland



Arrieta carried a no-hitter into the sixth inning, briefly invoking Don Larsen's name, before the Indians touched him for two hits and a run. How-

ever, the right-hander helped give Chicago just what it needed — a split at Progressive Field — before the Cubbies return to their Wrigley Field den for the next three games starting Friday night.

The Cubs hadn't won in the Series since beating Detroit 8-7 in 1945 to force Game 7.

The free-swinging Schwarber, who made it back for Chicago's long-awaited Series return after missing most of the season with an injured left knee, hit an RBI single in the third off Cleveland's Trevor Bauer and had another in the

Cubs' three-run fifth — highlighted by Ben Zobrist's run-scoring triple.

Even the presence of star LeBron James and the NBA champion Cavaliers, sporting their new rings, couldn't stop the Indians from losing for the first time in six home games this post-season.

Josh Tomlin will start Game 3 for the Indians, who will lose the designated hitter in the NL ballpark, against Kyle Hendricks.

Schwarber might also wind up on the bench after two days as the DH. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SUPPORTING THE HOME TEAM

Fan gives up seat on flight to first-pitch hurler

A longtime Cleveland Indians fan says he didn't think twice about giving up his plane seat to make sure former outfielder Kenny Lofton arrived in time to throw out the ceremonial first pitch as this year's World Series began.

Ken Kostal says he was waiting to board a delayed flight from Los Angeles to Cleveland early Tuesday when he overheard Lofton saying he wasn't sure he'd get a seat on the plane.

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Born to root for the Indians

Newborn babies at an Ohio hospital have joined the ranks of Cleveland Indians fans.

The Cleveland Clinic says at least five babies born Tuesday at its Fairview Hospital were dressed in World Series onesies. It says babies born throughout the World Series at several of its hospitals will be dressed in the outfits to help cheer on the Indians' quest for a championship as they take on the Chicago Cubs.

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DeMar DeRozan broke Vince Carter's record of 39 points on opening night for a Raptor. RON TURENNE/NDIAE VIA GETTY IMAGES

History for DeRozan

NBA

Star guard breaks scoring record as Raps destroy Detroit

DeMar DeRozan picked up exactly where he left off last season. The Raptors all-star scored 21 of his 40 points in a spectacular third quarter to propel Toronto to a 109-91 victory over the Detroit Pistons in the team's season opener on Wednesday.

DeRozan broke Vince Carter's record for an opening-night performance (39 points) set in 2003. Jonas Valanciunas added a career-high 32 points and 11 rebounds while Kyle Lowry finished with 10 points and eight assists.

Tobias Harris had 22 to top the Pistons. Almost five months to the day since the Raptors' thrilling and historic playoff run came to an end — ousted in six games by eventual NBA champion Cleveland in the Eastern Conference final — expectations are high.

DeRozan, who signed a five year deal worth \$139 million US

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in the off-season, famously saying "I am Toronto," took the mic before tipoff, telling the crowd "I want to thank you, the best fans in the world."

Hope you enjoy the season." Then the 27-year-old, starting a record eighth straight season-opener for Toronto, went to work. DeRozan and Valanciunas combined for 25 points in the first quarter as the Raptors roared back from a seven-point deficit to take a 33-23 lead into the second. Toronto took a 58-46 advantage into the dressing room at halftime, and then DeRozan's outstanding third quarter, which included a rim-rattling dunk, sent the Raptors into the fourth with an 86-71 lead.

Both DeRozan and Valanciunas were ushered off the floor with standing ovations in the fourth quarter.

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NHL

Weber's winner makes it 5 straight for Habs

Shea Weber's power-play goal with 2:57 remaining lifted the Montreal Canadiens to their fifth straight victory, 3-2 over the New York Islanders on Wednesday night.

Paul Byron and Phillip Danault also scored to help Montreal improve to 6-0-1 and remain the only team in the NHL without a regulation loss.

Al Montoya, who played for the Islanders from 2010-

WEDNESDAY in NYC

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CANADIENS ISLANDERS

12, stopped 26 shots in his first start since Oct. 18 as the Canadiens beat New York for the seventh straight time.

John Tavares and Dennis Seidenberg scored for New

York and Thomas Greiss had 26 saves in his second straight start and third of the season.

With the Islanders' Nick Leddy off for slashing, Weber fired a shot from the point for the tiebreaking goal. It was just the second power-play goal in 23 opportunities given up by New York's league-leading penalty-killing unit.

The Islanders controlled

the play for most of the scoreless opening period, outshooting the Canadiens 8-6. Danault gave the Canadiens a 2-1 lead with 8:39 remaining.

He deflected the rebound of a shot by Torrey Mitchell past Greiss for his second of the season and sixth of his career. Seidenberg tied it with 5:44 to go with a one-timer from above the right faceoff circle. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Hawks extend Schroder deal
The Atlanta Hawks signed point guard Dennis Schroder a four-year contract extension worth \$70 million, a person familiar with the deal said Wednesday.

The deal extends Schroder's contract through the 2020-21 season. The person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the Hawks did not release details when announcing a new four-year deal. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Marathon winner to be stripped of Boston title

Organizers of the Boston Marathon are stripping Kenyan runner Rita Jeptoo, 35, of her 2014 victory as part of the athlete's newly extended doping ban.

The Boston Athletic Association announced Wednesday that it will seek to reclaim Jeptoo's winnings and is starting the process to adjust race results. Jeptoo tested positive for a banned hormone in 2014. Her ban now extends to October 2018. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Johnson steps in to challenge McIlroy

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Pair to face off in Philippines for good cause

Instead of ending his year in the Bahamas, U.S. Open champion Dustin Johnson is headed to the Philippines for an 18-hole match against Rory McIlroy geared toward raising money for charity.

McIlroy was supposed to play Jason Day in an exhibition called "Battle for a Cause" until Day cited a need for rest to heal his ailing back.

Johnson gladly stepped in. "It should be a lot of fun,"

Johnson said Wednesday at the HSBC Champions. "I like playing against Rory, and I've never been to the Philippines."

This is the second attempt at a head-to-head exhibition for McIlroy this year. He was planning to play Rickie Fowler in Detroit this summer until a deal with sponsors fell through. This one was set up on Nov. 29 with Day, the No. 1 player in the world whose mother is from the Philippines and who had family members perish in the 2013 typhoon.

Sean O'Flaherty, who manages McIlroy, said the event would include a gala dinner and an auction on Nov. 28, which features bidding to be caddies for Johnson and McIlroy over nine holes, along with other memorabilia.

"I like playing against Rory and I've never been to the Philippines."

Dustin Johnson

He said proceeds would go mainly toward relief efforts from typhoons.

The match takes place at Pradera Verde Golf and Country Club in Pampanga.

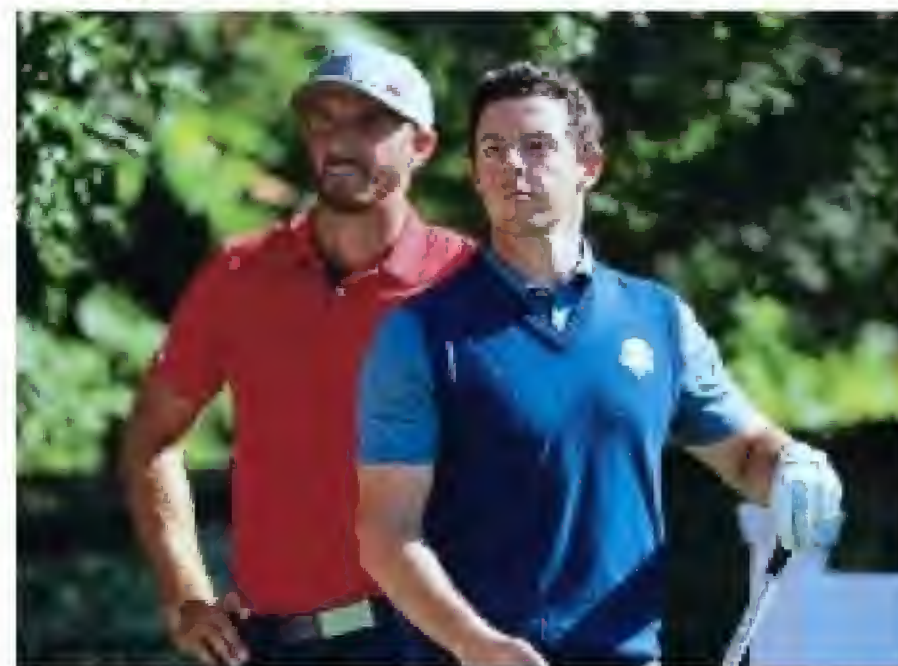
McIlroy and Johnson have played together in at least one round in three of the four majors that McIlroy won — the

2011 U.S. Open, 2012 PGA Championship and 2014 British Open. Most recently, McIlroy narrowly beat out Johnson for the FedEx Cup when he won the Tour Championship in a playoff.

"It will be a cool match," McIlroy said.

"I'm happy that Dustin wanted to come and take part. Obviously, it was going to be Jason, and it would have been special for him with his ties to the Philippines. It's a place I've never been. I've met a lot of Filipino people along the way that are always nice and courteous and welcoming, and I'm looking forward to that hospitality in Manila."

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Dustin Johnson and Rory McIlroy who battled recently at the Ryder Cup will again face off in the Philippines, but this time to raise money for typhoon victims. ANDREW REDINGTON/GETTY IMAGES

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Anderson seeking extra injury advice

C.J. Anderson might be going from breakout to heartbreak.

The Denver Broncos were bracing for bad news on their starting running back, who they sent for a second opinion on his ailing right knee Wednesday.

Anderson hurt it on an 11-yard run on the final play of the first quarter Monday night against Houston but returned to the game and ran 14 more times for 84 yards to spark Denver's 27-9 win. His 107-yard performance on 16 carries marked his first career 100-yard game before Halloween.

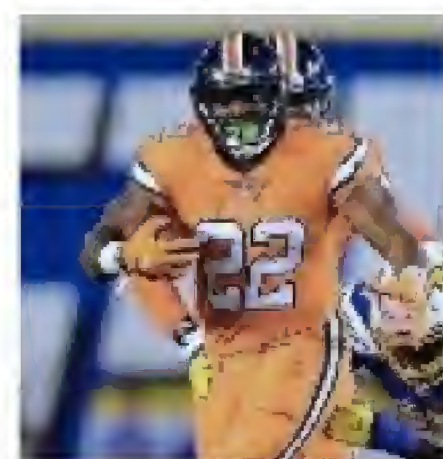
Combined with rookie Devontae Booker's big night, the Broncos (5-2) finally snapped out of an offensive funk by rushing for nearly 190 yards.

They left the stadium feeling really good about their new 1-2 punch in the backfield, but Anderson showed up sore Tuesday. They'll know Thurs-

day how much time he'll miss.

"We're just really trying to evaluate it more than anything," coach Gary Kubiak said. "He played with it. He did it early in the game. He played through it, he played really well."

With Anderson down, the Broncos would start Booker on Sunday against San Diego and Kapri Bibbs would back him up. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Broncos running back C.J. Anderson GETTY IMAGES

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For Metro Canada

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Serves 4

Ingredients

- 2 lb stewing beef
- 2 Tbsp flour
- Salt and pepper
- 2 Tbsp olive oil
- 2 onions, diced
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 lb mushrooms, halved or quartered, depending on size
- 2 large carrots, diced
- 2 sprigs fresh thyme
- 1/3 cup tomato paste
- 1/2 cup white or red wine (optional)
- 4 cups beef broth

Directions

1. Shake flour onto a plate

and season with salt and pepper. Dredge meat through the flour.

2. In a big pot or dutch oven, warm olive oil over medium heat. Working in batches, brown meat. Place cooked meat on a clean plate.

3. Add in onion and garlic and sauté about 3 minutes. Toss in mushrooms and thyme and cook for another 5 minutes. Add tomato paste and stir well. Cook for a couple of minutes.

4. Add the wine. Use a wooden spoon to scrape the bottom of the pot to loosen up all that caramelized beefy goodness. Add your stock and the beef, bring it to a simmer, cover and simmer for about an hour. Now add your carrots and cook about 10 minutes. Serve over mashed potatoes.

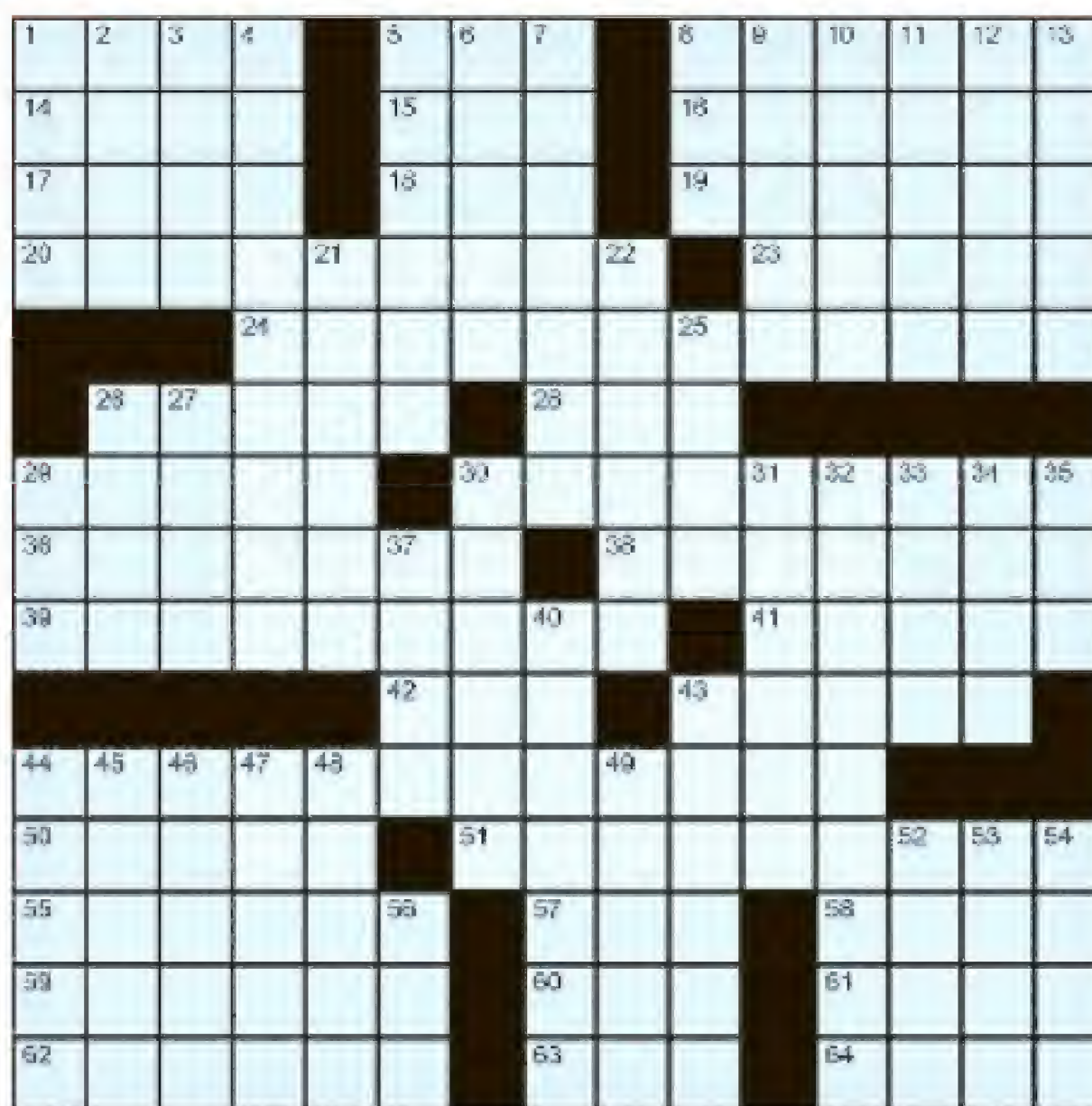
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8. "Cause ___ like us, baby we were born to run." - Bruce Springsteen
14. At any point
15. "K-___" (2001) starring Kevin Spacey
16. Cafe ___
17. Lake, in Lombardy
18. Gravestone engraving
19. NFL player in Denver
20. Freezes over
23. 19th-century composer Mr. Bruckner
24. 'Totem Poles, Gitsegukla' is a 1927 oil on canvas painting by what Montreal artist? 2 wds.
26. Sniff
28. Enunciate
29. American opera singer, Frederica von ___
30. Professional recommendations
36. Plunge
38. Arboreal acme
39. Capricorn and Taurus: 2 wds.
41. Videotaped web journals
42. Universal ideal
43. Brings up
44. Northwest Coast port city in British Columbia: 2 wds.
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51. Kraft products for salads
55. Evange-



- line's home
57. Pres. Eisenhower
58. Egotistical
59. Henpecked
60. Bam-Bamm, to Barney
61. First word of Massachusetts' motto
62. Drives too fast

63. ___ up (Riled)
64. Fully satisfy

DOWN

1. Brussels is its cap.
2. Long circle
3. Big lottery in The States. ___ Millions
4. One continuing ahead
5. Urban ___
6. Port-au-Prince's

- country
7. ___ account
8. Binder section indicator
9. RR = ___ Route
10. Beside
11. Type of fish, with Ray
12. Decorative edging in embroidery

13. Mick or Keith or Ron
21. Those loafing about
22. Mining passages
25. ___ and terminator
26. Financial acct. summary
27. 1970 Three Dog Night hit: "___ Told Me (Not to Come)"
29. Ashley, to Mary-Kate
30. Consider
31. Styles of lapels or cuffs in fashion
32. Members of the family
33. 'Origin' suffix
34. Fireplace ashes, before they became ashes
35. Initials-sharers of the Oscar-winning star of "Milk" (2008)
37. Venue
40. Supply with sustenance
43. Begrudge
44. Builder's drawings
45. Briefly summarize
46. Effigy
47. Prod
48. Wept
49. Variety of tea, Orange ___
52. Singer Ms. Mouskouri
53. Central meaning
54. Olde dagger
56. Promos

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
You will be powerful today during discussions about taxes, debt, shared property and inheritances. Knowing this, choose to go after what you want!

Taurus April 21 - May 21
You might come on a bit too strong during discussions with partners and close friends. (Or perhaps they do?) Take a deep breath and step back. Easy does it.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
You will accomplish a lot at work today, because you are focused and enthusiastic. Furthermore, when talking to others, you make a strong impression!

Cancer June 22 - July 23
You are in touch with your creative vibes today, which is why this is a great day for artistic work or creative projects. It's also a good day to teach children.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
Tackle home repairs with enthusiasm today because you're full of bright ideas! Family discussions also will be vigorous and exciting.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
This is a strong day for those of you who sell, market, teach, act or write, because you are in touch with what you want to say. You know how to express your ideas!

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
You will be convincing in matters related to business, cash flow, finances and making money. You might even teach someone about business or financial matters today.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Today it's easy to put a lot of yourself into whatever you say. This is why others will listen to you. You are genuinely enthusiastic!

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Your ability to research anything is tops today. You'll be like a dog with a bone. You won't give up until you find what you're looking for.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Conversations with friends and members of groups will be lively today. Quite likely, you will take charge because there is something you want to say to everyone.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
You make a great impression on people in authority today, including bosses, parents, teachers and VIPs. They see that you believe what you say.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
This is an excellent day to study anything new. Some of you also will be excited about making future travel plans. Whatever you do, you will do it with enthusiasm!

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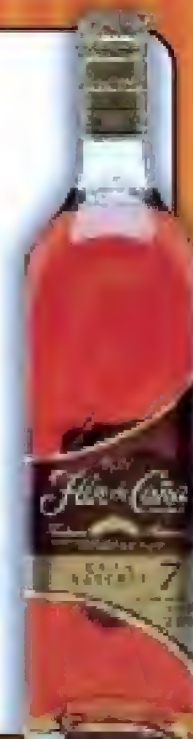
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